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MEMBER IS EXPELLED.

Action of Governing Committee of Stock Exchange.

BBOKERS DIDN'T DEAL FAIR.

A Customer of One of the Largest Firms Made Complaint Because Purchases Were Not Made According to Instructions.

New York, Dec 31—The governing committee of the New York stock exchange ended the case of the exchange against A. B Cuthbert & co by expelling William E Cuthbert Young, the board member of the firm

The firm occupies an entire floor of the Johnson building and has a great many offices in this and other cities He has been a member of the exchange since 1869 The specific charge against Mr. Young was on a complaint made Aug. 28 by R D Stewart, a customer of E B Cuthbert & Co, who claimed that an order given by him to buy 50 shares of Burlington stock, which the firm represented to have been executed, had not been made

In other words the firm was charged with "racket shop" methods The decision leaves the firm of E B Cuthbert & Co cut off from membership in the exchange

SUGAR SCHEDULE

Producers, Refiners and Importers Appear Before the Committee.

Washington, Dec 31—The sugar schedule was the subject of the hearings before the ways and means committee, and it was the most interesting as well as the most important schedule so far considered

The conflection in interests of the producers, refiners and importers were brought out in sharp contrast The producers wanted higher duties all along the line, and the refiners pressed for high duties on refined and not so high on raw sugars

The latter were especially anxious that in imposing countervailing duties against export bounty countries the additional duty should be levied only against the refined article

The importers the cane growers, the refiners and the beet growers were each given hearings by the committee

Rush For Government Land.

Washington Dec 31—The general land office received a report from the register and receiver at Topeka Kas denying that that office has been or is admitting applications to enter lands within the limits of railroad land grants in Kansas that came within the provisions of the grants and are not subject to entry They say that there has been a big rush to make applications especially during the past two months but that many have been rejected and that all the trouble and protesting comes from parties who failed to find any lands upon which to make claims rather than from those who own or intended railroad title

Want the Constitution Preserved.

New York Dec 31—Professor Justin Winsor vice president of the Massachusetts historical society presided over the session of the American historical association He read a memorial addressed by the historical society of Massachusetts to the senate and house of representatives asking that measures for the preservation of the United states frigate Constitution be taken at once

A Financial Menace.

Baltimore Dec 31—The American Economic association took up the subject of investments, ex-Secretary of the Treasury Charles S. Fairchild leading the discussion Mr Fairchild quoted statistics showing the amount of money held by the savings institutions and called attention to the fact that in periods of depression and panic the withdrawal of this money from the banks was a menace to the business community

Taylor Will Contest.

Nashville Tenn Dec 31—The state Republican executive committee met and after some discussion of the report of John T Lafton chairman of the committee on investigation adopted the resolution that the Hon George N Tillman should contest the electi of Hon Robert L Taylor for the seat of governor of the state of Tennessee

No Financial Difficulty.

Plattsburg N Y Dec 31—George T Murdick has been appointed receiver for Wheelock Sherman & Co upon application of interested parties members of the firm who desire a partition and sale of the property The firm is in no financial difficulty and has no indebtedness

Fire at Defiance.

Defiance O Dec 31 The dry goods store of C W Shoemaker was destroyed by fire The fire started on the third floor of the building Loss on stock is estimated at $45 000 The loss on the building is about $20 000.

Western Failure

Mason City Ia, Dec 31—J. S Hutchins of Rockwell failed Liabilities $35 000 assets $25,000.

An Actress Is Ill

New York Dec 31 Miss Virginia Earle the actress is dangerously ill at a hotel in this city of peritonitis

THEY DRAFTED A BILL.

International Bimetallic Conference Proposed.

VIEWS OF MAJOR M'KINLEY.

President-Elect Is Quoted as Saying That He Will Try to Execute the Promise of St. Louis Convention.

Washington, Dec 31.—The Republican caucus committee appointed to draft a measure providing for an international conference to secure the reestablishment of bimetallism was in session for two hours, and when it adjourned had agreed upon a bill to be presented to the Republican caucus which will be held soon after the assembling of congress next Tuesday.

The bill agreed upon is brief and merely confers upon the president the right to appoint delegates "to any conference which may be called which has for its object the re-establishment of bimetallism"

It does not distribute the selection of delegates as did the legislation of the Fifty-third congress between the president and the two houses of congress, and moreover leaves the number to be selected entirely to the discretion of the president

Senator Wolcott gave the committee a full account of his conference with President-elect McKinley, from which he had just returned, reassuring them of Mr McKinley's hearty interest in the committee and proceedings, and his earnest desire to do all in his power to carry into execution the promise of the St. Louis convention to secure international bimetallism if possible

It was announced after the close of the conference that the committee would press for early consideration of its bill with the hope of securing all the legislation needed at this session so that Mr McKinley could take whatever steps he might deem proper to carry it into effect immediately upon entering upon his duties as president

James Lee Assigns.

Gouverneur, N Y., Dec 31.—James C. Lee, proprietor of the Edgewood hotel at Star Lake in the Adirondacks and largely interested in several other ventures made an assignment. The liabilities will be heavy Mr Lee owned property in Denver and Buffalo and at Murray Hill Park, the new resort on the St Lawrence Last winter he enlarged the Edgewood so that it became one of the best hotels in the Adirondacks The season was a failure, however, and he lost heavily All of Mrs Lee's property goes with that of her husband

Opposition to Howrey.

Washington, Dec 31—In reference to the opposition to the confirmation of Judge Howrey, his friends admit that he did kill a man, but claim the homicide was entirely justifiable Howrey and a lawyer named Sullivan quarrelled over a case at Oxford Miss Both men drew their weapons Hence they contend that Howrey acted in self-defense Sullivan, the man who was killed was a brother of Hon W V Sullivan member elect of congress from the Second Mississippi district.

The Corbin Estate.

New York Dec 31—The transfer of title of the Corbin mansion on Fifth avenue to the syndicate holding loans on Long Island railroad stock made by the late Austin Corbin has practically put in effect the arrangement made between the Corbin estate and directors The amount of loans involved will aggregate about $2,000,000 Long Island stock which suffered through fear of liquidation by creditors advanced from 35 bid to 40 bid

A Strong Ferryboat.

West Bay City, Mich, Dec 31.—The car ferry Pere Marquette built at Wheeler & Co's yard for the Flint and Pere Marquette railway, was launched The new craft is believed to be the largest and strongest car ferry afloat and is intended to ply across Lake Michigan the year around

Four People Asphyxiated.

New York Dec 31—A family of four persons were asphyxiated at their home in the northern portion of this city John Lichtenberg, a cabinet maker, his wife, Lizzie and their two children were the victims

An Individual Assignment.

Appleton, Wis, Dec 31—John S Van Nortwick has made an individual assignment of his Fox river interests to Postmaster John M Baer of this city The latter has given bonds for $250 000

More Counterfeiters

New York, Dec 31—Three other persons who have been in custody since Dec 19, are said to have been members of the Leonard gang of counterfeiters

National Bankrupt Law.

New York Dec 31—The session of the American Lawyers association was almost exclusively confined to the discussion of the national bankrupt law.

Levin Brothers Fail.

San Francisco Cal Dec 31.—Levin Brothers grocers, operating two stores here and two in Oakland, have failed Liabilities $80 000

RIOT AT JOHNSONBURG.

William Bergin Fatally Shot In a Disturbance.

POLICEMEN ARE WOUNDED.

The Trouble Was Started by a Gang of Italians Who Became Involved in a Fight—An Officer's Narrow Escape.

Williamsport, Pa, Dec 31—A desperate riot occurred at Johnsonburg early, which resulted in the fatal shooting of William Bergin and the serious injury of James McGinn Charles Glover, Charles Wrathall and several others, members of the police force

The trouble was begun by a gang of Italians, who became involved in a fight The police were sent for, but the rioters, headed by Tom Marone, shot at Chief of Police Walsh, but the bullet struck Bergin in the head

The police closed in and the Italian thrust the weapon against Walsh's breast and fired A defective cartridge saved the policeman's life, and Marone was knocked down and secured The other policemen's injuries were inflicted by knives and their clothing was cut to pieces Marone carried a pistol and three knives

ROBBED THE MAILS

A Driver Does a Little Business For His Own Benefit.

New York, Dec 31.—The postoffice inspectors have arrested William H. Post, a mail wagon driver, on the charge of mail robbery. A quantity of incoming mail from the west was stolen Dec 20. Many of the rifled packages were found Dec. 22 in the water off West Brighton Beach, and with this clew the inspectors have succeeded, so they say, in clearing up the case

Keys to the mail pouches are said to have been found on Post and a number of small articles, probably Christmas presents, in his room He is 22 years old and unmarried. He denied robbing the mails and says he bought the articles found in his room It is believed he threw the packages of rifled letters into the North river from a ferryboat. Post has been held under $5,000 bail.

INTEREST UNPAID.

Ex President Harrison Begins Suit to Enforce the Lien.

Indianapolis, Dec 31.—Ex-President Benjamin Harrison, as the trustee of the first mortgage bondholders of the Logansport division of the Vandalia system, brought suit in the federal court to enforce their lien, which he maintains is a prior one

When the first division of the road was built (the T H & I) $500,000 of bonds were issued, and Mr. Harrison was made trustee When the road was extended to South Bend $1,000,000 additional bonds were issued on the entire system, with Mr. Harrison as trustee It is averred in the complaint that $45 000 of interest has been due since last July and is unpaid.

ALPHA TAU OMEGA

The "Finished" Scholars Hold Their Fifteenth Biennial Congress.

Cleveland, Dec 31—The fifteenth biennial congress of the Alpha Tau Omega college fraternity began here with about 200 delegates in attendance The convention was opened with an addres of welcome by Mayor Robert McKisson of this city to which Mr John Pugh of Washington a son of Senator Pugh of Alabama, responded on behalf of the fraternity Milo Massey of Georgia delivered an oration, and Mr Charles Coleworth Pinckney of Tennessee read a poem The appointment of committees and other routine business was then taken up

Swam In Ice Water.

Portsmouth O, Dec 31—Phil Brown, who was arrested Monday for attempting to carve Annie Simpier with a razor, is wanted at Ironton for embezzling $100 As constable Brown levied on some goods three years ago He sold the goods pocketed the money and skipped He was hotly pursued at one time by Sheriff Ward of Ironton, and in order to escape swam the Ohio when it was full of floating ice He was taken to Ironton

Peach Orchards Doomed.

Sandusky, O Dec 31—Fruit growers throughout this section of country are greatly disturbed over the discovery that the deadly San Jose scale has attacked a number of the immense peach orchards in this part of the state Thousands of acres of fruit trees are doomed to destruction

Horrible If True.

Elyria, O, Dec 31—Charles Hopkins was bound over to court and placed in jail to await trial on a charge made by his pretty 13-year-old daughter of criminal asault Hopkins is 37

An American Arrested.

San Sebastian, Spain, Dec 31—An American named Ross has been arrested here for trying to cash a forged draft for 6900 pesetas

Victims of Poisoning.

Columbus O, Dec 31—The entire family of E W Vance, the clock man, were the victims of a mysterious poisoning No fatalities

INTERESTING PAPERS

Themes Presented to the Modern Language Association.

Cleveland, O, Dec 31.—A number of interesting papers were read at the second day's session of the modern Language Association of America. They were "Diseases of English Prose, a Study in Rhetorical Pathology," by Professor F. N Scott, University of Michigan, "A Study of the Metrical Structure of the Middle English Poem Pearl," by Clark S Northup, Cornell university, Etiquette Books for Women in the Middle Ages," by Dr. Mary N Colvin, College for Women, Cleveland, "Report of the Work of the Modern Language Association of Ohio," by Professor Ernst A. Eggers, Ohio State university, secretary

In the evening the members were given a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J H Wade

The Ohio association met in the afternoon and elected officers as follows President, Professor Charles Harris of Adelbert college, secretary, Professor E Eggers of Ohio State university, treasurer, Professor W. A. Cooper of Marietta, O

Word From General Bosch.

Havana, Dec 31—Dispatches received from General Bosch, dated Dec. 25, say that he arrived safely on that date at Bayamo, province of Santiago de Cuba, with a convoy of provisions, etc, loaded on 100 ox carts and 100 mules After leaving Veguita the convoy experienced stormy weather on the road and had several skirmishes with the insurgents.

Bolted Tammany.

New York, Dec 31.—The long continued strife between the Tammany factions led by County Clerk Henry D Purroy and John C. Sheehan, chairman of the Tammany executive committee, broke out into open war when Purroy and his followers announced their bolt from Tammany. Both Sheehan and Purroy gave out statements which were bitter

Statement to Public.

Boston, Dec 31—The officials of the West End Street railway, prompted by the agitation which has been going on for the reinstatement of a number of employes who were discharged after the strike of last week, have issued a statement to the public. It is charged that the council broke faith with the company and is an irresponsible body

New Incorporations.

Columbus, O, Dec 31—The Pioneer Brewing company, Dayton, capital stock $50,000, the Mineral Ridge and Niles Steel Railway company, Niles, capital stock, $50,000; the Contractors and Builders' Supply company, Cincinnati, capital stock, $10 000; the Interlake company, Cleveland, increase of capital stock from $200,000 to $260,000

A Bank Looted.

Des Moines Ia., Dec 31.—At Sully, Ia., a small town near Newton, robbers looted the State bank The bank was incorporated in 1891 with $5000 capital The deposits were about $17 000

Haan Is Detailed.

Washington, Dec. 31.—First Lieutenant William G Haan, Third artillery, has been detailed as professor of military science and tactics at the Northern Illinois Normal school, Dixon, Ill

Death of Birdsall.

Boston, Dec 31—David S Birdsall, an old time professional ball player died at his home here from the results of an operation performed a year ago

MARKET REPORTS

Grain and Stock Quotations For Dec 30

New York.

Beef—Family, $9 50@11 00, extra mess, $7 25@8 00, packet, $8 00@9 00 Out meats—pickled bellies, 4½@4¾c, pickled shoulders, 4½c pickled hams 8½@9c Lard—Western steam, $4 07½ Pork—Old mess, $8 25@8 75 family, $10 50@11 00; clear, $8 75@10 50

Butter—Western dairy 8@18c; creamery, 13½@23c, do factory, 7@12c, Elgins, 23c Imitation creamery, 11@17c Cheese—State large, 7½@10½c small, 7½@10½c, part skims, 3½@7c, full skims, 2½@3c Eggs—State and Pennsylvania, 20@25c, western fresh 18½@21c

Wheat—97½c. Corn—36c. Rye—40@42c. Oats—29½c

Pittsburg

Cattle—Prime, $4 75@5 00, good, $4 50@4 65 tidy butchers, $4 20@4 40 fair, $3 85@4 10 common $3 25@3 75 feeders $3 60@4 00 bulls stags and cows $2 25@3 50

Hogs—Prime light Yorkers and pigs, $3 60@3 65, best mediums $3 55@3 60 common to fair, $3 50@3 55, heavy, $3 30@3 40 roughs $2 25@3 00

Sheep—Prime sheep, $3 60@3 75, good $3 30@3 50 fair, $2 75@3 15 culls and common, $1 00@2 50, choice lambs, $5 10@5 30 common to good $3 90@4 90, veal calves $6 00@6 50

Chicago

Hogs—Light $3 20@3 45 mixed, $3 20@3 40 heavy $3 00@3 40 rough $3 00@3 10

Cattle—Beeves $3 40 to 20 cows and heifers $1 60@4 10, Texas steers, $2 85@4 15 stockers and feeders, $2 90@3 90

Sheep Market quiet and generally steady

Wheat—79½c Corn—22½c Oats—15½c. Rye—37½c

Cincinnati.

Wheat—No 2 red 95c Corn—No 2 mixed 21½c Oats—No 2 mixed, 19@20c Rye—No 2 37½@38c

Lard $5 62½ Bulk meats—$4 60 Bacon—$4 50@4 75

Hogs—$2 75@3 50 Cattle—$2 25@4 30 Sheep—$2 25@3 75 Lambs—$5 25@4 25

Buffalo.

Cattle—None on sale

Hogs—Yorkers, $3 60, pigs $3 70 medium and heavy, $3 50; mixed packers, $3 55

Sheep and lambs—Best lambs $5 15@5 30, sheep $3 50@3 75

Toledo.

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MAY NOT SUIT.

Clearance Papers Offered to the Dauntless on Certain Conditions.

Washington, Dec 31—While the government has given permission for clearance papers to vessels desiring to carry arms and munitions of war to Cuba yet the conditions imposed are such that the Dauntless and Commodore the two vessels which have applied are not likely to accept.

Some time Tuesday the secretary of the treasury received a telegram from the attorney for the owners of the Dauntless at Jacksonville, stating that the owners of the Dauntless and her cargo would apply to the collector of customs at Jacksonville for clearance to a Cuban port with a cargo of arms, stating, however, that the oaths required by the statutes would not be taken The question was asked whether under these circumstances papers would be issued

Later in the day a telegram was received from the collector at Jacksonville stating that application to clear the Dauntless for the port of Neuvitas, Cuba, with a cargo of arms had been made and asking instructions The secretary replied substantially as follows

"If the master of the vessel and the owners, shippers and consignors of the cargo comply fully with all the laws and regulations concerning the manifest, and take the oaths required, you may grant a clearance to Neuvitas Cuba. The oaths must be taken and subscribed in writing as required by sections 4197 4198 and 4200 of the Revised Statutes"

Just Like the Dauntless.

Washington, Dec 31—The collector of customs at Jacksonville wired the secretary of the treasury that the steamer 'Commodore" had applied for clearance upon practically the same statement of facts as in the case of the Dauntless In response the secretary wired permission to issue papers to the Commodore in substantially the same terms as were named in the former case

Views of Senator Gallinger.

Concord, N H, Dec. 31—Senator Gallinger said that he had no doubt that the Cameron Cuban resolutions would pass the senate before March 4 "If the Cameron resolutions should pass congress over a presidential veto" said the senator "and the president should then refuse to act upon them, he would subject himself to impeachment"

Confessed to Murder.

Detroit, Dec 31—James E Lawson, an ex-convict, has confessed to being one of the two men concerned in the murder of James Brown a farmer living near Millington, the night of Dec 23 He says that his companion, Howard Hawley a young mulatto fired the fatal shot at the aged farmer Lawson states that the job was inspired by Thomas Stevens of Detroit, Brown's brother-in-law who put his confederates up to robbing Brown All three culprits were arrested here.

An Autopsy Held.

New York Dec 31—An autopsy on the body of David Blakely managing editor of the St Paul Globe and late [illegible] was held in the presence of representatives of Mrs Blakely and the insurance companies which had issued policies to Mr Blakely The dispute is over the question whether death was the result of an accident sustained some time before, or was due to natural causes Coroner Tuthill said that it would be six weeks before the exact cause of Mr Blakely's death could be determined

For Murdering an Insane Man.

New York Dec 31.—Prosecuting Attorney Edward P Farrell and Sheriff Edward T Gross of LaFayette county Ky called on the Teutonic to fetch back from England Arthur Platt, formerly a keeper in the Eastern Kentucky Insane asylum, who is accused of the murder of a patient named Jesse Tyree 10 years ago

An Impostor Arrested.

New York, Dec 31.—Alonzo W. Thornton accused of swindling by means of drafts on banks in which he had no deposits, is under arrest here. It is alleged that his operations were based upon connections which he claimed to have with the advertising departments of a number of newspapers

To Organize a League.

Boston Mass Dec 31—A call has been issued for a meeting of Cubans and the friends of Cuban liberty to meet for the purpose of forming a local branch of the Cuban-American league The league will have no connection with the junta in New York, although its work will be similar

In a Serious Condition.

Stamford Conn Dec 31—The condition of Mrs Henry Ward Beecher, whose hip was broken by a fall at the home of her son-in-law in this city on Sunday is grave The attending physicians doubt if she can recover, although her death is not immediately expected

Two Women Killed.

Reading Pa Dec 31—Two women were killed by an explosion of dynamite in the house of Elias Becker, ex-sheriff of this county at Tuckerton They were his wife aged 54 and her stepdaughter Mrs William Seidel, aged 30 Both were terribly mangled

Broke His Neck

New York, Dec 31—Henry M Weed, an insurance broker, jumped from a fifth story window at his home and was instantly killed, his neck being broken Financial losses

Dynamite Exploded.

Plymouth Dec 31—An explosion of dynamite took place on board the British ship Delta in this harbor. The vessel sank and two men drowned.

A Small Failure.

Nevada, Mo, Dec 31—The James Jessie Commission company closed its exchange here because of the failure of a commission firm at Chicago

Earnings of the Erie.

New York Dec 31—The November earnings of the Erie railway were Gross, $2 874 027, decrease, $64,649, net, $797 862, increase $81 249

The Weather

For West Virginia and Ohio—Generally cloudy weather and probably local showers, brisk southwesterly winds becoming variable

For Indiana Generally cloudy cooler in northern portions variable winds

Sewer Gas Explodes

Findlay, O, Dec 31—Mrs Samuel Lutz was fatally injured by the explosion of sewer gas, which had collected in her cellar

Assignment of Ross

New York Dec 31—Charles G. Ross, surviving partner of Charles G Ross & Co dry goods commission merchant has assigned to John C Maya.

Murder and Suicide.

Holdredge Neb Dec 31—Mrs D M. Conard, a teacher, was shot by her husband who afterward committed suicide

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EMPEROR OF ELBA.

HOW NAPOLEON CONDUCTED HIMSELF DURING EXILE.

The Powers Which Swayed the Larger World shown to Good Advantage In His Pygmy Kingdom - The Darker Side of a Brilliant Career.

Elba was an island divided against itself, there being both imperialists and royalists among its inhabitants and a considerable party which desired independence. By representing that Napoleon had brought with him fabulous sums the Austrian and English commissioners easily won the Elbans to a fervor of loyalty for their new emperor. Before nightfall of the 4th the court was established, and the new administration began its labors. Having mastered the resources and needs of his pygmy realm, the emperor began to deploy all his powers, mending the highways, fortifying the strategic points and creating about the nucleus of 400 guards which were sent from Fontainebleau an efficient little army of 1,000 men. His expenses were regulated to the minutest detail both at home and abroad. The salt works and iron mines, which were the bulwarks of Elban prosperity, began at once to increase their output, and taxation was regulated with scrupulous nicety. By that supereminent virtue of the French burgher, good management, the island was made almost independent of the remnants of the Tuileries treasure (about 5,000,000 francs) which Napoleon had brought from France. The same powers which had swayed a world operated with equal success in a sphere almost microscopic by comparison.

Before long the Princess Borghese, separated soon after her marriage from her second husband and banished since 1810 from Paris for impertinent conduct to the empress, came, according to promise, to be her brother's companion, and Madame Mere, though distant in prosperity, came likewise to soothe her son in adversity. The intercepted letters of the former prove her to have been at least as loose in her life at Elba as ever before, but they do not afford a sufficient basis for the scandals concerning her relations with Napoleon which were founded upon them and industriously circulated at the court of Louis XVIII. The shameful charge has no adequate foundation of any sort.

Napoleon's economies were rendered not merely expedient, but imperative by the fact that none of the money from France was forthcoming which had been promised in his treaty with the powers. After a short stay Koller frankly stated that, in his opinion, it would never be paid and departed. The island swarmed with Bourbon spies, and the only conversation in which Napoleon could indulge himself unguardedly was with Sir Neil Campbell, the English representative, or with the titled English gentlemen who gratified their curiosity by visiting him. During the summer heats, when the court was encamped on the heights at Marciana for refreshment, there appeared a mysterious lady with her child. Both were well received and kindly treated, but they withdrew themselves entirely from the public gaze. Common rumor said it was the empress, but this was not true. It was the Countess Walewska, with the son she had borne to her host, whom she still adored. They remained but a few days and departed as mysteriously as they had come.

Base females thronged the precincts of the imperial residence, openly struggling for Napoleon's favor as they had so far never dared to do. Success too frequently attended their efforts. But the one woman who should have been at his side was absent. It is certain that she made an honest effort to come, and apartments were prepared for her reception in the little palace at Porto Ferrajo. Her father, however, thwarted her at every turn, and finally she was a virtual prisoner at Schonbrunn.

So manifest was the restraint that her grandmother, Caroline, queen of the two Sicilies, cried out in indignation, "If I were in the place of Maria Louisa, I would tie the sheets of my bed to the window frame and flee." Committed to the charge of the elegant and subtle Neipperg, a favorite chamberlain, whom she had first seen at Dresden, he plied her with such insidious wiles that at last her slender moral fiber was entirely broken down and she fell a victim to his charms. As late as August Napoleon received impassioned letters from her. Then she grew formal and cold. At last, under Metternich's urgency, she ceased to write at all. Her French attendant, Meneval, managed to convey the whole sad story to her husband, but the emperor was incredulous and hoped against hope until December. Then only he ceased from his incessant and urgent appeals.—"Life of Napoleon; the Exile and His Return," by Professor W. M. Sloane, in Century.

Went One Better.

A tradesman in Sunderland had a lad in his employ. The lad's mother was a widow in bad circumstances; consequently the lad was poorly clad. The tradesman kindly proffered to get the boy a new suit of clothes, and the boy agreed to repay him at sixpence per week out of his wages.

The first Monday after this arrangement had been made the lad did not come to work as usual, and on his employer sending to inquire the reason his mother said, "He looked so respectable she was trying to get him a better job."—London Answers.

The Selfish Person.

The great pity of the selfish person is not that he robs others of pleasure or comfort, but that he is so thoroughly unhappy himself. The selfish person is never satisfied, never content. When he has greedily taken all, he still wants more, while the unselfish person finds real happiness in giving to others the little he has. From a purely selfish point of view the unselfish person is the happier.

ATTEMPT AT BUYING LAND.

It Requires Tact to Buy Timber Land In the Mountains.

It requires tact and tact to buy mountain land. The following is a typical experience:

"I was riding along Tug river, in Kentucky, when I saw a tract of land upon which I concluded it would pay to erect a small sawmill. I hunted up the owner, finding him seated on a log fanning.

"'Do you own this land?'

"'Sh', stranger! Fust thing I've heard,' he answered in a stage whisper. In about a minute he caught a fish, and I repeated my question.

"'Got any taxes?' he asked. I gave him a chew, and in a few minutes he said, 'Which land?'

"'That land along the road for a mile back.'

"'Yaas.'

"'How much have you?'

"'Whar you frum?'

"'Chicago. How much land have you?'

"'Five thousand acres.'

"'What do you ask for it?'

"'Waal, it's worth $20 an acre, but fer cash I'll swap fer $10 an acre. Kain't talk 'bout it now. Hev ter ketch fish fer supper.'

"I sat on a log beside him for three hours, neither of us saying a word, until he arose and started home, while I mounted my horse and followed.

"That night I got as far as to see his deed for the land and get a description.

"'It may be a little short,' he said, 'an I reckon I'd take $40 fer it without surveyin.'

"No inducement would move him from that figure, so I went on to the next tract, which I did not want, the timber being too thin.

"'How much does Phillips want for his land?' I asked.

"'Thousan dollars.'

"'Can you buy it for me?'

"'How much is there of it?'

"'A thousand acres.'

"'I reckon.'

"Two weeks later I received a deed, paid $1,000, and when surveyed the tract measured 980 acres."—Washington Star.

CARLYLE AND THE CABBY.

How the Latter Lost the Trade of the Great Philosopher.

Carlyle was well known to London cabmen. For years he engaged a particular driver from the rank and refused to have any other. This man, however, lost his custom in a somewhat peculiar manner.

Some medical students got to know of his preference for the driver, and, getting hold of the driver one day, they inquired if he knew who his fare was, when he told them he did not. The students informed him that he was one of the most famous and eccentric writers of the day, and, giving him a book, advised him to appear to be reading it whenever Carlyle approached the stand.

Cabby, without any suspicion, acted on their advice, and when the old sage next came for a cab he seemed deeply impressed in a very pretentious book.

"Hello! Wha's that you're readin?" inquired the Ecclefechan philosopher.

"A most hout an hout, tiptop, splendid book about that 'ere French revolution," was cabby's gushing reply.

"Eh, what dae ye say? Let me see it," said Carlyle, holding out his hand.

"Oh, certainly, sir," said the driver, handing him a copy of his "History of the French Revolution."

"Weel, my man," inquired the sage, apparently delighted, "are ye sure that you're readin this work intelligently?"

"Perfectly sure," said the jehu confidently. Then, thinking he ought to say something in praise of the book, he added, "Why, sir, it's almost as good as 'The Newgate Calendar!'"

The grim old Dumfriesian glared at him, grunted out something, turned abruptly around and engaged the next cab. From that day Carlyle never looked at him, but stuck to the second man, who happened to have had the honor of driving most of the distinguished men of the century.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

The Motherly Landlady.

A friend of mine changed his boarding place last week, going to one of those houses that advertise home comforts and a motherly landlady, which generally means that she is a person who will pry into one's private affairs and read long letters left lying about. This particular landlady happens to regard drinking and smoking as particular devices of the devil, so when my friend began to praise a new brand of tobacco at the dinner table the other night she saw her chance and promptly chipped into the conversation.

"Smoking makes men utterly selfish," she said, as a starter, enunciating her words as if she were sawing ice into symmetrical blocks.

My friend was dazed for a moment, for he had not much experience with people who denounce everything as wrong which they do not personally fancy, but he quickly recovered and answered: "Possibly so, but after all it's a stand off, for abstinence from smoking seems to make people deucedly impolite. Or possibly you indulge a little? So many of the ladies enjoy their cigarettes nowadays."

Then the storm broke.—Boston Post.

Differences.

"They say that human nature is always the same," said the middle aged lady. "But I don't think so."

"What's the reason?" asked her niece.

"Twenty years ago girls read magazines and did needlework. Now they study a road map and learn to use a monkey wrench."—Washington Star.

A letter posted in New York will be delivered in Bangkok, Siam, 41 days later, via London, and in 43 days via San Francisco.

A quart of butter, so soft as to run easily, weighs exactly 16 ounces; when hard, the weight is slightly greater.

THE EDELWEISS MYTH.

It Is Not a Rare Plant, Nor Does It Grow at Very Great Heights.

It is commonly supposed and is no less commonly believed by inexperienced tourist that edelweiss is a plant which only grows in the most dangerous and inaccessible situations. Of course with it, as with any other Alpine plant, this may now and then happen. But as a rule it is found on rough and rather stony slopes of grass, the ordinary pasturage of sheep and goats, at heights ranging from about 6,000 to 8,000 feet above the sea level. It is not often met with below the former limit and seldom above the latter. Once it could be plucked—probably it has now been exterminated—by the side of a path a few hundred feet above Zermatt and within half an hour of the hotels. It was abundant, and no doubt still is, all about the little inn at the Tosa falls, and it may be picked in handfuls within a couple of hours' easy walk from the baths of San Bernardino. That it is a great rarity is also an article of faith, but this is another myth. It is doubtless a plant local rather than universal in the Alps, but there are few districts where it does not occur, often abundantly. What has caused it to be so prized is difficult to understand. It is an everlasting, but that is almost equivalent to saying that it has no great beauty. The plant attains a height of about four inches, having one or two flowers on a stem. These are star shaped, a few pointed rays down covered, as if they were cut out of pale gray velvet, surrounding two or three yellowish tufts. The dry stem and narrow leaves are similarly covered. Its scientific name is Gnaphalium leontopodium, and the genus to which it belongs has three or four representatives in the Alps, one of them, G. dioicum, being also abundant on dry moors in Britain. It is, in short, a flower quaint rather than beautiful.

The edelweiss is an extremely easy plant to raise from seed and should be treated as an annual. The seed can be obtained readily for a few pence from any respectable nurseryman. It is, however, a very difficult plant to transplant with any success. Sometimes the edelweiss, when torn from its native mountain and set out in a garden, will have sufficient life in it to flower and then pine away and die. This is the almost invariable result of these attempted transplantations.

It may be added that edelweiss, when grown on anything like the sea level, or, in fact, anywhere away from home, entirely loses its distinctive character and becomes worthless as a garden plant. Perhaps these remarks will save some tourists' sponge bags from being filled, which, if they do not become heated and die on the journey, will barely linger long enough to enable the proud owner to point to them as evidence that he has actually been to Switzerland.—London Standard.

The Prolonged Bath.

Modern Medicine says that a patient in the St. Louis hospital was recently kept immersed in a bathtub for six weeks for the cure of a large sloughing abscess, a current of water being constantly passed through the tub. The writer has, within the last 20 years treated many cases of gangrene, crushed limbs, sloughing sores, etc., by this method and has found better results than by any other. Its success is due to the asepsis secured by the constant immersion. The presence of a large quantity of water is not favorable to the development of pus forming germs, so that suppuration is lessened and at the same time the poisons resulting from the action of the disease germs are washed away. These poisons, when left in contact with the tissues, paralyze the living cells and destroy them, thus hindering the reparative efforts, but by the constant cleansing effected by the contact of water kept pure by frequent renewal the tissues are protected from the toxic influence of these poisons, and healthful repair is thus promoted.

While in Vienna some 12 years ago the writer found patients living in tubs of water who had been immersed for periods varying from six months to a year or more. The cells of the body are accustomed to contact with moisture. In this respect they may even be compared to aquatic animals. The blood cells are carried by a current of watery fluid, and the tissue cells are all constantly bathed in this fluid, so that the contact of water with the living tissues is a condition closely analogous to that which is naturally maintained within the body.—New York Ledger.

The Atmosphere.

Even if it were possible for man to live without breathing air he could not exist on the earth if it were without an atmosphere. Plants derive carbon, the most important element of their food, from the air, and without plants there could be no food for animals, and therefore no human beings. Water also comes from the atmosphere, but if there were no water there could be neither plants nor animals. If food and water could be supplied in some other way, the world would still be unhabitable by plants and animals owing to the severity of the cold. Without an atmosphere there would be no winds, and consequently no waves or ocean currents. The sea—if we may suppose one to have been supplied by some unknown cause—would be a stagnant pool, uninhabitable by seaweed or fish.—Exchange.

A Thoughtful Girl.

"No wonder the pleasures of courting have declined," said the stout youth. "Just look at the flimsiness of these modern chairs."

And he pointed to a slender affair of white bamboo, touched with gilt.

"You mustn't judge by appearances," said the stout girl softly. "I've had that chair thoroughly braced with the very best of steel rods, and it is now guaranteed to stand a pressure of 80 pounds to the square inch."

Then they both sat down in it as a final test.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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Hood's Pills

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From Sire to Son.

As a family medicine Bacon's Celery King for the Nerves passes from sire to son as a legacy. If you have Kidney, Liver or Blood disorder get a free sample package of this remedy. If you have Indigestion, Constipation, Headache, Rheumatism, etc., this specific will cure you. Wm. M. Melville, the leading druggist, is distributing samples free. Large packages 50c and 25c.

The daffodil is a symbol of chivalry. It was once a favorite flower in France, and at one time a fashion prevailed of gentlemen wearing bunches of daffodils in their hats with their plumes.

A bottle of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup in the house saves doctor's bills, saves trouble, and very often saves precious lives. Gives almost instant relief in cases of coughs, colds, or lung troubles of any sort.

Pneumonia Cured.

Mrs. A. J. Lawrence, of Beaver, Pa., says: "Prazilian Balm brought me out of a severe attack of pneumonia in splendid shape. It is a wonderful remedy for coughs and lung troubles. Also, for outward use, for burns, cold-sores, and chapped hands and face, it cures like magic. It is invaluable in the family."

SPECIAL MASTER'S SALE

Martha Rousculp, administrator of the estate of Philip Rousculp, deceased, Plaintiff vs. The Ohio Southern Railroad Company et al, Defendants — In the Court of Common Pleas, Allen county, State of Ohio

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of the decree of the Court of Common Pleas within and for the county of Allen and State of Ohio, entered in the above entitled cause, I J. T Adams, the Special Master designated by said decree, will sell without appraisement at public auction, to the highest bidder or bidders, at the east door of the court house in the city of Lima county of Allen, State of Ohio, at one o'clock p. m on Thursday, the 31st day of December, 1896, the property mentioned in the said decree, and thereby directed to be sold to wit:

All and singular, the line of railroad of the said defendant company extending from the city of Springfield in the county of Clarke, in the State of Ohio, through the counties of Clarke, Madison, Fayette, Highland, Pike, Ross, Jackson, Gallia and Lawrence in the State of Ohio and all branches additions and extensions pertaining thereto connecting the extension from the city of Springfield northward through the counties of Clarke, Champaign, Logan, Shelby, Auglaize, and Allen, and also an extension known as the Cincinnati Extension connecting with the Ohio Southern main line at Jeffersonville, Fayette county, Ohio, and extending thence southwesterly being in the counties of Fayette, Greene and Clinton; also the Columbus Extension, so-called, extending from the town of Jeffersonville northeasterly in the counties of Fayette, and Madison, and also an extension known as the Corning Extension, and extending in and through the town of Wellston, and into the coal fields in the southwestern part of Vinton county, Ohio and being in the counties of Jackson and Vinton, in the State of Ohio and all other branches, additions and extensions pertaining to or belonging to, or in which the said Ohio Southern Railroad has any interest legal or equitable, and including all its railroads, ways, rights of way, station grounds tracks sidings bridges, buildings, stations viaducts culverts, engine houses, car houses and other houses of all kinds, and of rolling stock and in trust rolling stock, tools, machinery, implements, fuel, supplies of all kinds and property, real, personal or mixed, of all kinds and descriptions and wherever situated, the said property being more particularly described in the said decree now on file in the Clerk's office of the Court of Common Pleas of Allen county State of Ohio being intended hereby to include all the property, rights, privileges, franchises and immunities of every kind and description particularly described in the said decree and in the order of sale issued to the undersigned as such Master, and to which reference is here made

Said sale will be made subject to the following charges and claims thereon:

First, the Receiver's certificates issued pursuant to the orders of said Court of Common Pleas, and which shall be outstanding and unpaid at the time of the confirmation of the sale herein announced

Second, a mortgage of trust already made by the Ohio Southern Railroad Company on the 23d day of May, 1881 to the Central Trust Company, of New York and covering the property aforesaid for the security of $4 000,000—four million dollars—of bonds of the denomination of $1 000—one thousand dollars—each, dated May 23d 1881, and payable in gold coin of the United States on the first day of June, 1921, with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of December and June of each year.

Third all claims of intervening claimants now pending in said cause and undetermined which shall be finally adjudged to be valid claims against the said The Ohio Southern Railroad Company and liens upon the property above described, or some part thereof superior to the lien of the second mortgage for the foreclosure of which said decree was taken.

The said property shall be offered and sold as one parcel and as an entirety No bids shall be received at said sale for the said property for a less sum than $200,000—Two Hundred Thousand Dollars—nor shall any bid be received from any bidder who shall not place in the hands of the undersigned, or deposit with him at the time of making the bid, as a part of said bid and a pledge that such bidder will make good his bid if accepted by the Court, the sum of $15 000 00—Fifteen Thousand Dollars—in money or certified check or certificate of deposit of that amount, to the satisfaction of the undersigned as Master Such deposit shall be received as a part of the bid of the successful purchaser, and any deposit made by any bidder who shall not become the purchaser to be returned to him, and upon such deposit being made by the highest bidder the Master will report the same to the Court as a part of the purchase price; the balance of the purchase price shall be paid from time to time as the court shall direct The balance of the purchase price not required to be paid in cash either by the deposit aforesaid or by order of the Court but may be paid by surrendering to the undersigned outstanding second mortgage bonds and overdue coupons pertaining thereto, the same to be received in satisfaction in payment of purchase price at such value as shall be equivalent to the amount that the holder thereof would be entitled to receive thereon in case entire purchase price were paid in cash

For the further and more specific description of the property and for the further and more particular designation of the directions and conditions of the said sale, reference is hereby made to said decree

JOHN T. ADAMS, Special Master.

Butler, Stillman & Hubbard, of New York, and Doyle & Lewis of Toledo, attorneys for the Central Trust Company.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Case No. 8423

Ex Doc. 9 — Page 7.
Thomas L. Davis, Plaintiff, vs. Dennis Day, Defendant. — Allen Common Pleas.

By virtue of an execution, issued from the Court of Common Pleas, of Allen County, Ohio, and to me directed I will offer for sale at the barn of Dennis Day in rear of No 913 east High St., in the city of Lima, Ohio, on

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6th, A. D. 1897

at 10 o'clock a m, the following described goods and chattels, to-wit:

One (1) gray mare 9 years old, one (1) gray mare about 13 years old, one (1) gray mare 5 years old one (1) red cow, one (1) black colt, one (1) light set double harness, two (2) sets couble work harness, two (2) two-horse wagons, one (1) old buggy, one (1) two-horse dray.

Taken as the property of Dennis Day at suit of Thomas L. Davis.

Terms of Sale—cash.

AARON FISHER, Sheriff, Allen County, Ohio.

Lima, Ohio, December 24 1896

E. N. Lewis, plaintiff's attorney.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Case No. 8862.

Ex. Doc. 9. — Page 296.
The First National Bank of Lima, Ohio, Plaintiff, vs. Alice Showalter, et al., Defendants. — Allen Common Pleas

By virtue of an order of sale, issued from the Court of Common Pleas, of Allen County, Ohio, and to me directed, I will offer for sale at the east door of the Court House in Lima, Allen County, Ohio, on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30th, A. D 1897.

Between the hours of one o'clock and four o'clock p. m., the following described lands and tenements, situate on Second Street in the City of Lima, Allen County, State of Ohio, and described as follows, to-wit:

Inlot number thirty seven hundred and thirty-six—3736—in Hughes' Sub-division of inlots in Hughes' Second Addition to the City of Lima in said County and State.

Appraised at $800 00

Terms of sale—Cash.

AARON FISHER, Sheriff, Allen County, Ohio.

Lima, Ohio, December 24th, 1896.

H. L. Brice, plaintiff's attorney.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Case No. 8010.

Ex Doc. 7. — Pages 177 376
The Ohio National Bank, of Lima, Ohio, Plaintiff, vs. E. L. Goodenow, Defendant. — Allen Common Pleas

By virtue of an order of sale, issued from the Court of Common Pleas, of Allen county, Ohio, and to me directed I will offer for sale, at the east door of the court house in Lima, Allen county, Ohio, on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23d, A. D 1897,

Between the hours of one o'clock and four o'clock p. m., the following described lands and tenements, situate on south Jackson street, in the city of Lima, Allen county State of Ohio, and described as follows, to-wit:

In-lot number twenty-five hundred and ninety three (2593) in Goodenow's addition to Lima, in said county and State.

Appraised at $ 50 00.

Terms of sale: Cash.

AARON FISHER, Sheriff, Allen County, Ohio.

Lima, Ohio, November 25th, 1896.

Hoagland & Creps, attorneys for Gus Kalb.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Case No 8521

Ex. Doc. 9 — Page 201.
Nancy Breese Plaintiff, vs Charles W Mayer, Defendant — Allen Common Pleas

By virtue of an execution, issued from the Court of Common Pleas, of Allen county, Ohio and to me directed, I will offer for sale on the premises occupied by Charles W Mayer, about five miles southwest of Lima Ohio, in Shawnee township, on

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12th, A. D 1897.

at 10 o'clock a. m., the following described goods and chattels, to-wit

Three (3) cows, spotted red and white; one (1) two horse corn planter, one (1) old hay rake, one (1) old spring wagon, one (1) wood saw one (1) grind stone, one (1) Deering binder, one (1) old Walter A Wood binder, one 1 old harrow, one (1) black and white hog, one (1) iron kettle, one (1) hay ladder, one (1) small bunch of hay in shed, two (2) circular saws, one (1) old black mare, two (2) lots of corn in crib, four (4) old house rollers, one (1) new mower or reaper knife, one (1) mud boat, one (1) spring seat for wagon, one (1) small pile of brick, two (2) small piles of stone, one (1) strand of sleigh bells, one (1) cross cut saw, one (1) old box wood stove.

And immediately after selling the above described goods and chattels I will offer for sale, on the farm of Elias Bowsher, in Shawnee township, the following described goods and chattels, to wit:

One (1) Buckeye grain drill (new), one (1) mower, one (1) old cultivator, one (1) brown mare one (1) brown horse, one (1) two horse wagon, one (1) wood rack, and one (1) double set work harness.

All of above described goods and chattels taken as the property of Charles W. Mayer at suit of Nancy Breese.

Terms of Sale:—Cash.

AARON FISHER, Sheriff Allen County, Ohio.

Lima, Ohio, Dec 29, 1896.

Cunningham & Adgate, plaintiff's attorneys. d&w

Legal Notice.

Rachel McGee residence unknown, will take notice that on the 20th day of November, 1896, George McGee filed his petition in the Probate Court of Allen county, Ohio, praying for a divorce from said defendant, being case number 5834, on the ground of willful absence from plaintiff for more than three years last past.

Said cause will be for hearing as soon as may be after six weeks from the 20th day of November, 1896, and said Rachel McGee is notified to appear and answer to said petition or judgment may be rendered against her

GEORGE MCGEE.

Adkins & Klatte, attorneys for plaintiff.

Notice of Appointment.

Estate of Samuel A Black, deceased.

The undersigned has been appointed and qualified as administrator, with the will annexed, of the estate of Samuel A Black, late of Allen County, Ohio, deceased

Dated this 14th day of December, A. D. 1896.

GEORGE L. HUMSTON, Administrator

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Notice to Bond Buyers.

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk of Lima, Ohio, until 12 o'clock, noon, of Monday, the 18th day of January, A. D. 1897, for the purchase of $42,500 worth of bonds of the City of Lima, Ohio, designated as "The West Spring Street Paving Bonds of the City of Lima, Ohio," issued in anticipation of the collection of special assessments and levy to be made, to pay the costs and expenses of improving of west Spring street, from south Main street to Jamison avenue.

Said bonds shall bear interest at the rate of six (6) per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually on the first day of July and the first day of January, of each year, following their date of issue, and shall bear date of January 1, A. D. 1897, in accordance with the terms and provisions of an ordinance authorizing their issue, and nature, as follows to-wit: $2,000 every six (6) months (January 1st and July 1st), from January 1, 1898, to July 1, 1907, and $2,500 January 1, 1908.

Said bonds are issued pursuant to sections 2703, 2704 2705, 2706, 2707 and 2709 of the Revised Statutes of Ohio, and of an ordinance of said city, entitled, "An ordinance to improve west Spring street, from south Main street to Jamison avenue, by grading, draining, curbing and paving the same with asphalt," passed November 2, A. D. 1896, by the City Council of said city, authorizing the issue of said bonds.

Said bonds to be of the following denominations: 41 bonds of $1,000 each; 2 bonds of $500 each, and 5 bonds of $100 each, interest and principal of said bonds payable at the office of the City Treasurer of Lima, Ohio.

If any of the property owners shall pay the full amount of their assessment in cash to the City Clerk, less the interest included therein, the amount so paid shall be applied to the payment of the cost and expense of said improvement, and bonds shall be issued and delivered for the unpaid remainder of the total amount to be provided.

The Finance Committee reserve the right to deliver an amount equal to the whole cost of said improvement, which is estimated at $42,500, or any part thereof, or, to deliver $10,000 at time bid is accepted, and the balance as the work of paving progresses, provided, however that the full amount to be delivered shall be delivered within four (4) months from date of acceptance of bid.

No bid for less than par value and accrued interest to date of delivery of said bonds will be considered, and all bids should specify the number of bonds bid for and the premium, if any, that is offered.

The bonds shall be sold to the highest and best bidder, the Finance Committee reserving the right to reject any or all bids

Bids must be enclosed in an envelope sealed, and addressed to the undersigned.

Given at Lima, Ohio, by order of Council this 14th day of December, A. D. 1896.

C. E. LYNCH, City Clerk.

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Notice to Paving Contractors.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the City Clerk, of Lima, Ohio, until 12 o'clock noon of Thursday, January 14th, A. D. 1897, and opened immediately thereafter, for the paving of west Spring street, from south Main street to Jamison avenue, with asphalt, together with all necessary curbing, catch basins, resetting old curbings, etc., in accordance with the plans and specifications heretofore adopted by the City Council and now on file in the office of the City Civil Engineer. All bids must be submitted on forms furnished by the Civil Engineer. No bid will be considered unless accompanied by a certified check in sum of $5,000 on some Lima Ohio, bank, and made payable to the City Clerk. All such deposits made by unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them within ten (10) days from time contract is awarded. If the one to whom the contract is awarded shall refuse or neglect to execute a proper contract and furnish a final bond in the sum of one and one third the amount of contract, acceptable to the City Council, the said check shall be forfeited to, and retained by the said City of Lima Ohio, as liquidated damages for such refusal or neglect, otherwise such deposit shall be returned to him as soon as final bond is accepted by the City Council.

The following are the approximate quantities of work:

22,331 square yards of asphalt paving.

22,331 square yards of concrete (6 inches deep).

2 220 lineal feet curb stone 4x24 inch.

8,660 lineal feet 3x20 inch old curb stone to be reset.

5,300 cubic yards macadam excavation

33 catch basins and sewer inlets.

64 wheel guards.

10 circular curb corners.

4 iron gutter crossings.

The City Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to accept any proposal which to them may seem proper

Specifications, forms of proposal and any information pertaining to the work may be had upon application to L. P. Prevost, City Civil Engineer.

By order of Council, Lima, O., Dec. 14th 1896.

C. E. LYNCH, City Clerk.

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Assignee's Sale of Real Estate

In pursuance of an order of the Probate Court of Allen county, Ohio, I will offer for sale at public auction on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16TH, 1897,

at one o'clock p. m., at the east door of the court house in said county and State, the following described real estate, to wit:

A part of the east half of the northwest quarter of section twenty-nine (29,) township three (3) south, range seven (7) east, described as follows.

Beginning at a point, marked by a peg, in the center of the Findlay road 1380 feet in a northeasterly direction from a stone where the center line of north Sugar street crosses the center line of the Findlay road; thence north 1521 feet; thence east 1320 feet; thence south 1287 feet; thence along the center line of the Findlay road south 80 degrees west 1336 feet to the point of beginning containing 42 25 100 acres of land, more or less, all in Allen County, Ohio.

Appraised at $3168.75.

Terms of sale—Cash.

JOHN M. ROOSE, Trustee of Peter M. Roose.

Jason G. Lamison, Attorney for John Roose. 12 17-4w

The Northern Ohio Railway Company—Notice.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Northern Ohio Railway Company, for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting, will be held at the office of Wheeler & Brice, Lima, Ohio, Monday January 11th 1897

Transfer books will be closed December 23d, 1896, at 3 o'clock p. m., and be reopened January 12th, 1897, at 9 o'clock a. m.

W. E HACKEDORN, Sec'y

Lima, Ohio, December 10th, 1896.

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No. 4—	Going East	Daily	7 45 a m
" 36—	"	"	8 30 a m
" 20—	"	" ex. Sunday	3 15 p m
" 8—	"	"	9 30 p m
" 2—	"	" Limited	10 50 p m
" 39—	Going West.	" ex. Sunday,	9 20 a m
9—	"	"	2 50 p m
31—	"	"	3 44 p m
15—	"	"	2 00 a m
51	"	" Limited	3 33 a m

C., H. & D. R. R.

7—	Going South,	daily	2 25 a m
" 11—	"	" ex. Sunday	5 45 a m
1—	"	" "	9 20 a m
" 5—	"	"	12 48 p m
" 3—	"	"	4 05 p m
" 13—	"	arrive daily ex. Sunday	7 15 p m
" 51—	"	Sunday only	7 15 a m
No. 19—	Going North,	daily	1 35 a m
" 14—	"	daily ex. Sunday	6 20 a m
" 2—	"	daily ex. Sunday	8 25 a m
" 6—	"	"	12 25 p m
" 4—	"	" ex Sunday	4 35 p m
" 10—	"	ex. Sun arrive	8 50 p m
" 60—	"	Sunday only	7 45 a m
" 62—	"	" arrive	10 30 p m

L. E. & W. R. R.

No. 6—	Going East,	daily ex. Sunday	7 20 a m
4—	"	" " "	1 40 p m
2—	"	" "	7 30 p m
	"	" Sunday only	7 00 a m
		Return	9 30 p m
1—	" West	"	9 35 a m
5—	"	" " "	4 50 p m
3—	"	"	[illegible] a m

C. & E. R. R.

Local—	Going East.	daily ex. Sunday	7 00 a m
No. 2—	"	" " "	3 30 p m
" 8—	"	" "	9 02 p m
" 12—	"	" "	2 46 a m
Local—	" West,	" " "	7 00 a m
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Response — President
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Importance of Water to Plants — State Speaker

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Ohio Agriculture — State Speaker

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Sheep and Wool — State Speaker
Feeding and Caring for Lambs — J. R. Marshal

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Mr. W. W. Spillen, drug clerk, with J. W. McConnell, Parnassus, Pa., says: "I was out all one night last winter and contracted a severe cold. I was so hoarse for a week I could hardly speak. Knowing how well customers of our store spoke of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, I concluded to try it. One-half of a bottle cured me entirely."

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Natural Wadding.

A Penobscot county man tells an amusing boyish experience in the Lewiston Journal. He and a young friend went gunning one fine fall day. They had old fashioned, muzzle loading guns, and wadding was a necessary part of the outfit.

We came across a big hornets' nest in a tree, says the narrator and, boylike, climbed up and pulled it down for wadding. We talked about the merits of different kinds of wadding and decided that hornets' nest, a material provided by nature, was the best. We concluded to lay in a good stock of it and began to break it up.

From the inside of the nest we shook out a quantity of the biggest hornets I ever saw—the ferocious kind that have black bands around a long brown body—but they were stiff, as if frozen, and we didn't mind them at all. We turned them all out and sat down to rest and make our new wadding into nice little rolls.

We sat talking in merry good humor for awhile, when all of a sudden Fred screamed like a wild Indian and jumped as much as three feet from the ground. He gave another yell and, striking to right and left on his thighs, started on a wild run for home.

It was the hornets. He had chanced to sit down where a number of them fell, and they, warmed up from contact with his body, and he, it seems, warmed up from contact with theirs. Wadding was a sore subject with him for a long time.

Try This.

A good test of a man's symmetry may be made if he stands with his face to the wall. The chest of a perfectly formed man will touch the wall, his nose will be four inches away, his thighs five and the tips of his toes three.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"My husband had two cancers taken from his face and another was coming on his lip. He took two bottles of Burdock Blood Bitters and it disappeared. He is completely well." Mrs. Wm. Kirby, Akron, Erie Co., N. Y.

The person who disturbed the congregation last Sunday by coughing is requested to call on H. F. Vortkamp, n. e. cor. Main and North sts., and get a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar, which always gives relief.

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Great feelings hath she of her own
Which lesser souls may never know;
God giveth them to her alone,
And sweet they are as any tone
Wherewith the wind may choose to blow.

Yet in herself she dwelleth not,
Although no home were half so fair,
No simplest duty is forgot;
Life hath no dim and lowly spot
That doth not in her sunshine share.

She doeth little kindnesses,
Which most leave undone or despise,
For naught that sets one heart at ease
And giveth happiness or peace
Is low esteemed in her eyes.

She hath no scorn of common things,
And though she seem of other birth,
Round us her heart entwines and clings,
And patiently she folds her wings
To tread the humble paths of earth.

Blessing she is, God made her so,
And deeds of week day holiness
Fall from her noiseless as the snow,
Nor hath she ever chanced to know
That aught were easier than to bless.

She is most fair, and thereunto
Her life doth rightly harmonize,
Feeling or thought that was not true
Ne'er made less beautiful the blue,
Unclouded heaven of her eyes.

She is a woman—one in whom
The springtime of her childish years
Hath never lost its fresh perfume,
Though knowing well that life hath room
For many blights and many tears.
—James Russell Lowell

Bank Robber Trap.

The latest device for bringing to naught the ill directed energy of the thief who presents a pistol to the head of bank officials in broad daylight and during business hours is reported from the west. This species of criminal audacity is getting to be painfully common of late, the usual plan being for the bandit to select an opportune moment, when lots of money is in sight, and rush up to the window, thrust his pistol through the cashier's opening and demand the funds on pain of instant death in case of a refusal. The system devised for trapping this species of the gentry consists of a drop fitted in the floor in front of the pay window and so nicely adjusted as to be unnoticed except upon close examination. The dropping of the trap is effected by a knob on the inside and readily accessible to the cashier. Directly beneath the drop a shoot extends downward about six feet and converging to a point at the bottom. The sides of this shoot are lined with spikes, which project inward and downward. When Mr. Robber steps to the window and makes his demand, the cashier grabs the money with one hand, as if to deliver it, says, "All right, here you are," and with the other turns the knob that unlatches the drop, when "down goes McGinty," wedged into the shoot between the spikes, from which no amount of cursing will extricate him, and the bank partition, being bulletproof, if he chooses to shoot, it only adds to the alarm already given by the bank's officials, which brings the police to bag the game so effectually caught.—New Ideas.

Glaciers In New Zealand.

The rocky precipices descended to the very edge of the Fox glacier and were covered with a mass of fern, shrub and semitropical creepers, forming a brilliant wall of intense green down to the very lip of the dazzling white ice. The mists had by this time lifted, and the sun was already making its appearance and investing this strange and new spectacle with all its splendor. This luxuriant vegetation grew from the moist earth in the crevices of these cliffs, which were almost vertical, but of a stone sufficiently soft and crumbling to allow of numerous fertile deposits in its fissures. These cliffs reached in places some 400 or 500 feet in height, above which the slopes receded, clad with a luxuriant forest of scrub. Here and there little rivulets fell in bright cascades down this veritable tapestry of vegetation.—"Climbs In the New Zealand Alps."

A Bird That Shaves Itself.

The lammergeyer, or bearded vulture, found throughout the whole mountain chains of the old world, actually shaves himself. The expert barber, who has for his customers crusty millionaires, could not ply the keen edged razor to the stubby beard of his particular patron more deftly than the monarch of the mountain tops prunes his own bristly beard.

The head of the vulture is clothed with feathers, and from the sides of the under mandible proceeds a row of black bristles. From this peculiar projection of feathers the bird derives his name. A layer of similar bristles begins at the eye and covers the nostrils, forming a fleecy mustache.

With his strong and sharp claws, which act as the razor, he begins to trim his fibrous whiskers with great care and dexterity. He does this with great regularity, and soon the downy beard and mustache give way to a full growth of bristly feathers.—San Francisco Examiner.

TIPPED THE GENERAL.

Sheridan Was Presented With a Quarter For Making Things Pleasant.

"General Sheridan had a great deal more of his memoirs written than ever got into his book," said a gentleman who was for a long time officially connected with the late general of the army. "Had he lived the book would have been much livelier, I assure you. As it was, the memoirs were edited by Colonel Sheridan, General Sheridan's brother, after his death, and many of the best things, in my judgment at least, were for various reasons left out. General Sheridan was very anxious to tell some of the funny experiences he had after he had reached the command of the army, and he had outlined several of them just prior to the illness which ended in his death.

"One of these experiences referred to the first tip that he received for being pleasant to a visitor. In the guidebooks there is a description of the office of the general, or, as it is known, the headquarters of the army in the war department. It is stated in connection therewith that the office is generally open for public inspection and that visitors to the city and others are welcome to inspect it at all times, at least during office hours. Once General Sheridan was very busy preparing or revising some official reports. He had kept the messengers generally stationed at the outer door of his office running around at a rather lively rate to his various subordinates, and for the moment there was no one at the door, when in marched a couple of visitors, a respectable looking man and a lady, armed with their guidebook. The general did not relish the intrusion very much, but they did not know it, for he kept steadily at his work.

"They examined all the pictures on the walls and gave considerable attention to a marble bust of the general, which had just been placed therein. 'So that is General Phil Sheridan,' said the man to his wife. 'Well, no one would ever think that man was ever such a fighter as he was. To me he looks a little top heavy—has too much head for his body.' He made other remarks, all of which the general heard, and the effect of them was to divert his attention from his work. 'How old is Sheridan?' asked the visitor, indicating for the first time that he noticed any one in the room. General Sheridan gave him the information, and, thinking that the best way to get rid of his visitors would be to explain to them hurriedly the things of interest in the room, proceeded to do so. He warmed up somewhat on some of them, and his descriptions and explanations of some of the portraits, war scenes and Indian curios, blankets, etc.—there were a number of them then in the room—were extremely interesting.

"The visitors were appreciative, however, and as they turned to leave the room the man quietly slipped a 25 cent piece into the general's hand, adding that they were thankful for the information and instruction, and departed. The story was such a good one that the general told it on himself, first to his messengers and afterward to many others. He had intended to run it into his memoirs, but it never got there. He always spoke of it as the first time he had received and accepted a fee for performing a public service."—Washington Star.

Custer and His Men.

A retired army officer, quoted in the Washington Times, says that the fellow officers of General Custer used to tell them that it was not good for an officer to associate with privates. Custer, however, persistently disregarded this unwritten law and might be seen day after day joking and laughing in the midst of a group of men. Finally the officers decided they would stand it no longer and appointed a spokesman to reason with the general. This spokesman approached a group where the plush jacket and yellow curls were towering above a group which surrounded the general. Calling him aside, the spokesman said, "General, we officers would like to know why you associate with the men instead of with us, as you should?" "Oh, well," said Custer, turning on his heel, "I can learn more from them than I can from you."

That Shower of Clotted Blood.

There are hundreds of "bloody showers" and "red snows" recorded in the meteorological history of the world but the most remarkable fall of matter from the heavens was that which occurred near a place called Eurole, near a river of the same name, in Laurens district, S. C., in September, 1848. On a certain day when a cotton picker named Ingelow and his two sons were at work the ground around them was literally spattered with great chunks of red gelatinous matter, which looked like "livered" blood. The occurrence is still referred to in that country as "the shower of clotted blood."—St. Lou[illegible] [illegible]ublic.

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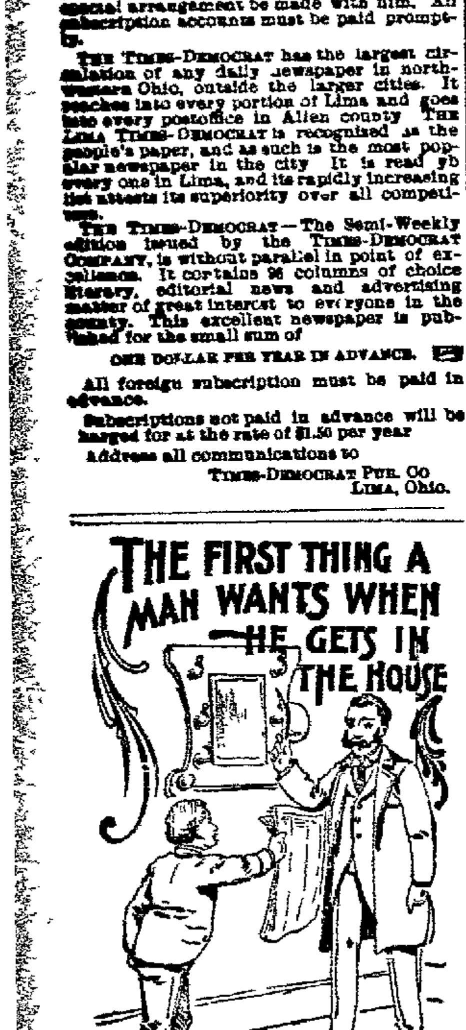

The Pittsburg *Times* (Republican) says our financial system is as bad as it can be. During the campaign the Republican editors and politicians said it was as good as it could be. Did not want anything better Taken with a due quantity of "confidence," they said, it was the best system of finance in the world Strange it should now be considered as bad as it could be.

Street car strikers in Boston have learned the lesson of how nearly capital loves labor. The Mark Hanna system has been adopted and all who participate in the strike will be gradually "weeded out" And the strike developed another unhappy state of affairs. For every striker there was more than a dozen applicants for employment. The great army of unemployed is just as numerous in the east as anywhere else—and the working man, especially of the east, voted to open the factories instead of the mints.

What an excellent plan the Republican caucus committee has to secure an international monetary conference First, the president is to fix the number of commissioners to represent this country and shall make the appointments; then the congress is to appropriate money enough to defray the expenses of carrying out the pledges of the Republican party. Now, if McKinley will select J Pierpont Morgan, Bourke Cockran, Henry Clews and a few others of that ilk, an international conference will become a comedy of nations —*Mansfield Shield*

Mrs. Lease had a mortgage on her Kansas home fo $1,100. The mortgage was foreclosed and the home was sold for $600. Now the brilliant editors of eastern papers are declaring that Mrs. Lease is a financial expert in that she got a $1,100 mortgage on property worth but $600 It simply shows this, that property in Kansas has fallen in value under the gold standard to the extent that those who hold the mortgages receive about one-half value when foreclosed, and the bankers who have money loaned in the west are finding out that they and not the people of the west are responsible for repudiation Property is not bringing more than 50 cents on the dollar anywhere in the west.

THE CLOSE OF THE YEAR

Is upon us, bringing us within three years of the 20th century The present year has been one of general peace, except the struggle for independence in Cuba and the cruelties of the Turks toward the Armenians The world is becoming less fond of useless and expensive wars.

The coming year will bring us a new administration, and already the promise is heralded of a higher tariff for the benefit of wealthy manufacturing corporations and others The less we buy the less we sell abroad. But special corporations will be looked to rather than what is best for the good of our people

The year has exhibited general depression in business over the country, which comes at irregular intervals, from various causes, and is sometimes caused by conditions in other nations with which we have business relations, and necessarily effect the trade.

We may say that the city of Lima and the surrounding country has progressed favorably, for the needs of our business have been well *oiled*.

There is sadness in many a home for the loved and lost during the year. But we trust their spirits pass to higher and happier spheres than this. "Hope springs eternal in the human breast."

On the whole, these United States grow in all that make nations great with the progress of the years M.

Mr. Henry Clews, the New York banker in his circular of last Saturday, December 26, says that "the past week, in Wall street, has been a broken one, with considerable irregularities in the price of securities"—"all more or less calculated to unsettle confidence," and that the "more serious factor is the outbreak of bank failures" Mr Clews is among those gentlemen who fairly tumbled over themselves in congratulating Mr McKinley on his election, shouting that his election had reduced the rate on call money from 100 per cent. to 2 per cent.

The Washington *Post* now says it is absurd to expect better times before McKinley gets a whack at legislation. It is evident that the *Post* forgets that McKinley himself said that there was nothing the matter except loss of confidence, which would be restored immediately when it was known that silver remonetization was defeated It was declared on the stump and in the papers that McKinley's election would restore confidence and start the mills The people were given to understand that there would be no more failures, for the bankers would have plenty of money which they would use to uphold business enterprise, but still the failures have increased and things are worse and worse. What does McKinley expect to do when he is inducted to change the condition of things? The platform on which he was elected proposes nothing unless a higher tariff will bring the desired result. How an increase of prices as result of higher tariff will aid the farmer to buy more, we do not know. How it is going to enable the people to pay their debts is not stated. It will take more than McKinley's induction into office and a high tariff to make business better.—*Steubenville Gazette*

Not Politics, but Drought.

It is not politics, but drought, that is the matter with western Kansas, declares Mr. Charles Moreau Harger in The North American Review. The same is true of western Nebraska. The truth about these two sections of country is that they will never be fit for farming lands under present conditions, but must be used for stock raising and grazing. For that there is water enough, but for that only.

Immigrants from the east did not know this till they tried it. They flocked to western Kansas and Nebraska in armies. Their extravagance was almost as great as their hopes. They issued county and district bonds to build courthouses and schoolhouses and make other improvements and mortgaged their farms to erect dwelling houses and buy machinery Eastern money lenders advanced money generously, tempted by the high rate of interest which the farmers thought they could pay. So they could have paid it, every cent, if the climate of western Kansas had been as it was represented to them by land agents.

Bravely the pioneers planted their crops and waited. Bravely the crops sprouted and grew at first. Then the cruel drought descended, as it does year after year, and withered alike the corn and the hopes of the farmer

After a few years of heartsick waiting, during which they lost all they had in the world, the pioneer farmers gathered up their families and abandoned the land from which so much had been hoped. They left it, mortgage and all, because they could not raise any crops, left it to keep them from starving to death

Such, in brief, is the history of eastern Kansas and Nebraska. The eastern holder of the mortgage has had the burden put up as security for his claim, that was all Last year the western third of Kansas lost 18,000 people, the western half of Nebraska nearly as many. Since 1887 the population of Morton county, Kan, has declined from 2,560 to 320 Mr Harger thinks the only way for eastern mortgagors to get anything will be for them to scale down their claims within reach of the impoverished pioneers who could not fight drought.

At last some of the pretended wisdom and knowledge of the oriental philosophers seem about to be made available for practical purposes and in a respectable, scientific way Professor Chunder Bose, professor of physical science at the Presidency College of Calcutta, is said to have succeeded in collecting some of the vibrations in the ether that have hitherto escaped all efforts to capture them These vibrations produce rays which are neither sound, heat, ordinary light nor electricity, but something for which a name is yet to be found. They produce a light, but still a light not visible to the human eye unaided by Professor Bose's apparatus By means of these vibrations the professor is said to be able to send currents, lights and signals through walls, earth, air and water of any thickness or depth. The rays do away with the need of telegraph wires There has only to be a sensitive receiver at the terminal station to catch the vibrations as they come By this invention it is expected it will be possible to signal any distance through a fog upon the water, telegraph without wires and between ships at sea or even ring bells and explode cannon miles away Still, while we deny nothing, let us wait till we see these things demonstrated before accepting them.

England, Germany and France have had, at one time and another, many fine old men in political life—men who for half a century and more played important parts in shaping the destinies of state The United States is a rapid nation yet we, too, begin to have our fine old men in politics Senator Sherman will be 75 at the close of his present term, with intellectual vigor as great as ever The same is true of Senator Morrill of Vermont, in his eighty sixth year Then there is that lively and vigorous old gentleman who led the gold Democrats as a presidential candidate, General John M Palmer of Illinois Several of the United States supreme court judges are also signal examples of bodily and intellectual vigor preserved late in life

The Farmers and Citizens' bank of Paola, Kan, has gone out of business under very unusual circumstances All its leading managers will next year hold offices in the commonwealth The president, Mr C H Heffebower, will be state treasurer, while his cashier, Mr J. P Williams, will be assistant state treasurer, the bank's vice president, Paul Russell, is going to the legislature, so there will be nobody to look after the cash It is not often that the fellow citizens of bank officials hold them in such high esteem and confidence

Trusts and Combines.

Matthew Marshall says in the New York Sun that the benefits of combination lie in decreasing the cost of manufacture and distribution The profits of great trusts cannot continue to be excessive for a long time, but must settle down finally to moderate dimensions on account of competition The rest of the world would refuse to let the combine keep a very profitable business all to itself.

Mr Marshall says.

This must be so in the nature of things, for otherwise rival producers of equal magnitude would spring up and the war sought to be avoided would rage with renewed violence Instances are abundant within recent experience in which attempts to gain greater than legitimate profits by artificial restrictions upon production and distribution have been defeated by the working of this natural law alone, without help from legislation Corners in stocks have invariably proved disastrous to those who made them The enormous profit of the coal companies in 1864 and the following years led to the collapse of 1876 The great European copper monopoly of 1890 ruined the richest of its promoters The fate of the Cordage trust and of the General Electric company and the recent dissolution of the Nail association because of its confessed inability to maintain the prices it had fixed in the face of outside competition are also warnings which cannot be disregarded The trust, the Standard Oil trust, the American Sugar Refining company and the coal combination still thrive because their managers are prudent enough not to push up prices so high as to invite new competition

Since the close of the civil war the United States government has paid out in pensions $2,000,000,000 This is more than the war debt itself amounted to At present about $140,000,000 is annually required A new set of pensioners have arisen who swell the list. They are the minor children of soldiers who, mere boys at the time of the war, married after its close and have died, leaving a numerous and interesting offspring of tender years

The Buddhists have a saying that if you tell the exact truth for 12 years at the end of that time you will become much wiser, more farseeing and brilliant than the rest of mankind because your interior perceptions will be opened by the practice of telling the strict truth for 12 years. They ought to be.

BIG GAS EXPOSITION.

ILLUSTRATING RECENT PROGRESS IN MAKING AND USING IT.

To Be Held In New York In January—A Wonderful Tower How Far This Country Is Behind England and Germany In the Employment of This Illuminant.

An exposition will be held in Madison Square Garden, in New York, opening on Jan 27—an exposition of gas. Although similar exhibitions have been held on the other side of the water—notably in Berlin—for several years, this will be the first of its kind ever held in this country It is designed to do for gas interests what the mere electrical exhibition in New York city last spring did for the electrical interests, to illustrate the present progress and the wonderful variety of uses to which gas is now put.

In this country, at least, we are only beginning to realize the possibilities of gas as an industrial agent. Apparently, too, not only in this country, but everywhere, its possibilities as an illuminant are just beginning to be appreciated. What improved burners have done to enhance the value of gas for lighting purposes hundreds of other inventions and improvements are doing to extend its usefulness in almost every branch of manufacture.

The Madison Square exposition, aside from showing everything that is new in the way of improvements for the manufacture of gas and means of burning it, will also have on view a great variety of gas engines and appliances for its use, in drying paper molds after type impressions in printing offices, melting zinc and other metals and making baskets in electrical work, drying and pressing felt hats, ironing leather in glove factories, brazing in bicycle factories, heating tar in breweries, heating laundry irons and finishing rolls, japanning and soldering, shrinking tires on locomotives and other wheels, heating rolls for finishing silk and plush, for enameling, hair drying, ripening bananas, in photographic work, in incubators, and no end of similar things

Considered merely as a spectacle and a show, the exposition will be brilliant in the extreme Its piece de resistance, as its managing director would say, will be a wonderful tower of gas and glass and iron, which will stand in the center of the hall It will be 60 feet in height, with a diameter of 20 feet at its base Over 8,000 open jets will glow and glisten from its countless prisms, and, spaced here and there, row after row of incandescent gas lamps will add to the brilliancy of the effect The cost of the tower will probably exceed $40,000, and it is designed not merely for exhibition at this time, but as the contribution of the American gas interests to the Paris world's fair of 1900

Chiefly, the exposition will tell the story of progress in gas, as it could not be told in figures and type A few years ago, when electricity seemed likely to sweep everything before it in its rapid and victorious advance, there was many a prediction that at a not distant day gas would cease to be made It is a rather remarkable commentary that in just this period gas making and using has undergone almost as great a revolution as electricity itself

At the present time something like 75 per cent of all the gas made in this country is water gas In 1880 the new process had hardly made greater progress than acetylene has now. Furthermore, the consumption of gas has steadily increased, and in his late address before the St Louis convention President Humphreys of the Gaslight association estimated this increase at something like 30 per cent in the last five years

But even now we are far behind, population considered, the countries of Europe London alone, with a population of 5,000,000, consumes more than half as much gas as the whole United States Comparing English towns with those in this country, the average consumption in Britain is three and four times as much per capita as over here. It is true that generally the rate per thousand is less than with us, but the difference in price is not so great as to account for the difference in consumption.

But it is in the use of gas for power purposes that the most striking contrast between Europe and America is seen Over here the gas engine is almost a stranger. It is looked upon with suspicion and sometimes with contempt. There are more gas engines in London alone than in all this country The total number in use in Great Britain is above 85,000

In Germany, which shows within recent years, perhaps, the greatest mechanical and industrial advance, and now ranks as probably the first industrial nation in the world, there are 85,000 gas engines in use

Remarkably ingenious improvements have been made in the mode of manufacturing gas, by which, in many points of England and on the continent, the price of delivered gas has fallen to 70 and 60 and even as low as 40 or 50 cents per 1,000 feet The possibilities of fuel gas under new methods of generation are hardly less than those which the new incandescent system (the Welsbach and other burners) have provided for its illuminating brother. Several companies are now seeking a franchise in New York city, one of them offering to furnish fuel gas at 50 cents per 1,000 feet to householders and at 35 cents to large manufacturers while paying $100,000 for the franchise, and after five years 8½ per cent on the net business is to go to the city —Washington Star

Ian Maclaren a Messenger of Peace.

When the Rev Dr John Watson (Ian Maclaren) sailed for Europe, he was constituted by the brotherhood of Christian Unity of this country a messenger of peace. The brotherhood presented him with a memorial applauding his work for church unity and requesting him to give the brotherhood greeting to the people in England.

RICH SENATORS.

Mr Curtis Says There Are Only Three Genuine Millionaires In the Senate.

There are not more than three genuine millionaires in the senate These are Mr Cameron, Mr McMillan of Michigan and Mr. Wetmore of Rhode Island Mr Bever, Mr Jones of Nevada, Mr Stewart and Mr Elkins have a deal of speculative wealth, and if they could realize upon their expectations they might be considered millionaires also, but they are not rich men like Mr McMillan of Michigan, who has his money invested in what Mr Micawber called portable property, and Mr Cameron, who owns rolling mills, railroad stock, coal mines and is interested in other big profit paying enterprises

Senator Sherman is a wealthy man. He is probably worth $700,000, although he has the reputation of being a millionaire. His money is largely invested in Washington real estate He bought a great deal of land in this city in the early days of its improvement, and still holds a large part of it, which has rapidly increased in value But his wealth has always been overestimated by the newspapers

The wife of Senator Hale inherited several millions from her father, the late Senator Chandler of Michigan, and he, of course, enjoys the income with her, but it is not his money Senator Shoup of Idaho has large interests and was perhaps worth more than $1,000,000 before the depreciation of silver mining property Mr Lodge of Massachusetts, like Mr Wetmore of Rhode Island, inherited a fortune, and also married a rich wife Perhaps they have $1,000,000 between them, and it is invested in gilt edged New England property —William E Curtis in Chicago Record.

QUAY WILL RETIRE.

When the Pennsylvania Senator's Term Is Up, He Will Take a Rest.

Senator Quay intends to retire from the senate at the expiration of his present term, two years from next March He says he will not be a candidate for re-election He is tired of public life and wants a chance to rest and to build up his private fortune a bit before old age overtakes him Mr Quay is, comparatively speaking, a poor man Fifty or seventy five thousand dollars represents his accumulation. He has spent several fortunes in politics

Of course Mr Quay hopes to keep his grip on the Republican party of Pennsylvania even after he shall have left public life He means to name the successor to Mr Cameron and then name his own successor two years hence My guess is that young Mr Penrose will be the one and Governor Hastings the other Instead of being a senator from Pennsylvania, Mr Quay wants to be both senators He will have his men to represent him while he spends half his time fishing Mr Quay is a great man but he is lazy —Walter Wellman in Chicago Times-Herald

A MODEL FORTRESS.

Fortifications Board Planning to Make Fort Wadsworth Such a One

There will soon be at least one thoroughly modern and complete fortress in this country if the fortifications board can secure the consent of congress to its plans

At the mouth of the harbor at Washington the board has picked out Fort Wadsworth, one of the defenses at the entrance of New York harbor in this basis The plan is to complete the fortress and to have everything work upon it, and to make it a model for resistance in every test of warfare now battle thoroughly tested and to the modern scientific devices such as range finders, conning boards, underground ways, telephone and telegraph systems and even theories of defense

All of this it is claimed can be done at an expense of about $50,000 in addition to the sum already allotted for the reconstruction of Fort Wadsworth Congress will be asked to make the appropriation

Friends For a Hundred Years

Mrs Eliza Watkins of Monongah, W Va, aged 101 years, whose health is rapidly failing and whose death is hourly expected was visited this week by Mrs Rachel Cunningham of Helens Run, aged 103, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Bash Cunningham aged 82 Mrs Cunningham and Mrs. Watkins were playmates in their childhood, and the latter, although her faculties are almost gone, appeared to recognize and seemed pleased to see her old friend Mrs Cunningham is a hale, hearty old lady, who often walks from her home to Fairmont and back—14 miles—in one day, and both in appearance and activity seems younger than her maiden daughter —Charleston (W Va) Daily Mail

They Keep Well Informed

A gentleman who recently returned from Europe and who is much interested in naval affairs is authority for the statement that the English admiralty has full information as to all the defective armor plates on our war vessels so far as is known, and that every structural defect in any of the vessels that can be discovered is carefully noted and filed away for future use When the news of the recent sinking of the Texas reached England, a naval officer high in authority, in a conversation with the gentleman referred to, pointed out some of her defects both in armor and structure, which have since been made public —Chicago Times-Herald

Hetty Green's Extravagance.

Mrs Hetty Green has bought a nice new hat This is an epoch in the life of the richest woman in America She has also discarded the old black satchel in which she used to carry her frayed gloves and lawsuits The reason for all this is that she has engaged the finest suit of rooms at the St George, Brooklyn Though they are only taken by the day, this eccentric old lady may stay indefinitely —Pittsburg Dispatch

HIS ABSENCE EXPLAINED

Young Medical Student Traced to a Suicide's Grave In California

San Francisco Dec 31 The police are satisfied that they have succeeded in tracing J Robert Muller a young medical student to a suicide's grave. The parents of the young man reside in Philadelphia They recently requested Chief Crowley to learn what had become of their son Muller was sent to Heidelberg, Germany, to study medicine After completing his education he made a tour of the world, spending some time in Berlin He arrived in this city last April.

Shortly after his arrival he wrote home saying he was without money and greatly discouraged His family did not hear from him again His family wrote to Chief Crowley for information of their son's whereabouts Detective Ross Whittaker was detailed on the case, and as the result of his investigation traced the youth to Palo Alto where he committed suicide on May 24 last by morphine

NOT THE REAL CULPRITS

Trial of the Alleged Murderers of Stambuloff Is Peculiar

Sofia Dec 31—The procurator general, summing up in the prosecution of the alleged assassins of ex Premier Stambuloff, dwelt upon the importance of the trial to the whole civilized world and insisted that political considerations should be rigidly excluded in arriving at a verdict

Counsel for the defense again submitted that the condemnation aroused would serve no useful purpose, pointing to the fact that the friends of the late M Stambuloff did not regard the prisoners as the real culprits

Naum Tuffektchieff and Atsoff, two of the prisoners, were sentenced to three years imprisonment the time which they have been under arrest to be counted to the sentence Boni Georgeff was acquitted

Wealthy Convict Insane.

San Francisco Dec 31—Fred T Wood a convict in San Quentin prison who recently inherited a fortune of $30,000 from the estate of his father a Chicago millionaire is insane He became violent in his cell Monday night and had to be forcibly removed to the hospital It is thought his recent good fortune together with a consequent worry attendant upon his confinement in the penitentiary, is the cause of his insanity

Electric Roads In Europe

Weimar Germany Dec 31—In all Europe at the close of 1895 there were but 111 electric roads having a total mileage of 580 Germany stands foremost in Europe in electric railway construction with 272 miles almost half of the total in Europe France has 82 miles Great Britain and Ireland 66 Austria coming next with 44 But 12 of the 111 lines are underground trolleys and eight are mul tors.

Altgeld's Successor Married

Springfield Ills Dec 31—Governor-elect John Riley Tanner was married at noon to Miss Cora Edith English of Springfield The ceremony took place in St Paul's Protestant Cathedral, one of the oldest Episcopal churches in Illinois and the scene of many brilliant weddings in which the principals were of national prominence Rev Frederick Taylor rector of the cathedral officiated

Dead In a Fence Corner.

Crawfordsville Ind Dec 31—William B Harris a prominent tobacco dealer of Crawfordsville was shot and killed while out on a hunting excursion He lodged on himself and failing to return at dark a search party was organized His body was found after midnight in a fence corner a rail having broken as he climbed over

Killed a Farmhand

Salem Ind Dec 31 Detective John Sexton and Deputy Jailer John Brown of Louisville Ky came here in search of an escaped prisoner They went to the farmhouse of Richard Land at night and killed John Rippey the farm hand who mistook the officers for burglars and was about to fire at them

A New Steamer Building

San Francisco Dec 31—The Canadian Australia Royal Steamship line the vessels of which ply between British Columbia and the Australian colonies is about to place a new steamer on the route. She will be known as the Oarangi and will sail from London to Plymouth on March 17

Brained With a Buggy Whip.

Shelbyville Ind Dec 31—Enoch Trimble took Miss Laura Higgins to church James Higgins Laura's father, followed them and at the close of services knocked Trimble senseless with the butt of a buggy whip Trimble will die and Higgins is in jail

New York Hotel Closed

New York Dec 31 Everett's hotel, one of the oldest and best known establishments of its kind in the city was closed Its proprietor Samuel H Everett has been in financial difficulties for some time

Queen of Jelika

New York Dec 31 Colonel John F Hobbs king of the cannibal islands of Jelika has married Miss Ella Collin of New York and proclaimed her queen of Jelika

Tobacco Killed Him

Louisville Dec 31 Professor Jason W Chenault 57 died of heart trouble brought on by swallowing tobacco juice instead of spitting it out

Grain Company Quits

West Superior Wis Dec 31—The Anchor Grain company operating on the Superior board of trade made an assignment

Another National Bank Quits.

Selma Ala Dec 31 The Commercial National bank of Selma, Ala., has suspended

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W. R. C.

The W. R. C. will meet in regular session next Tuesday evening, Jan. 5, at 7:30 o'clock

FRANCES PROPHET, Pres.

Mr. T. F. O'Donnell, a well known druggist of Parsons, Pa., in speaking of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy says: "Several times in the last few years when suffering with cramp or diarrhoea I have made a personal test of the value of this remedy. The effect in each instance was almost immediate relief." For sale by Melville, the druggist, old postoffice corner, O. W. Heister, 58 public square.

NEW LEAFLETS.

(Continued From Eighth Page.)

Mike Purtscher—curing the sick.

Al Creps—attending so strictly to his religious duties.

W. H. Mattingly—worrying about unimportant affairs.

Gus Lutz—telling the boys about the latest tune.

Dr. Steuber—beating the wheel at Cridersville.

Harry Waldron—planning so many schemes.

Joe Purtscher—losing so much flesh.

Cliff Churchill—assisting in the breaking of glass fronts.

Jason Lamison—changing his political views

Sam Fletcher—thinking so much about the mail.

Will Parmenter—telling the boys how to bet on Allen county.

Chas. King—letting Ben Lee kid him with his "lace" horse.

T. R. Hamilton—attempting to make people believe that the gold standard is a good thing.

Joe Hoover—talking about the ladies in his sleep.

Lieut. Reichelderfer — attending banquets after this evening.

Grant M. Sprague—in assuring people that McKinley's election means a return to good times.

Doc O'Brien — umpiring ball games in which the Shamrocks are competing.

Jimmy Sullivan—in playing base ball in an amateur league.

Homer Hall—using aqua pura.

Charles Folsom—transacting private business in his front office.

John Burns—making billiard runs.

Mel Allen—doing a green goods business.

"Sheeny" DuGray—arranging for ladies' socials.

Eli Miller—playing cowboy.

Hart Copp—the excessive use of Battle Ax.

Fred Banks—working in the woods.

J. F. Drennan—receiving express packages from Spencerville.

Dan McSweeney and Will Foltz—attending receptions.

James McLain—going through alleys to attend weddings.

George Geiger, jr.—going to sleep on the road between Lima and Roundhead.

Charley Simons—having his hair pulled by Gilbooley's friends.

A. Koch—farming.

C. O. Curtis—playing slot machines.

Jo Brownyar—selling gold bricks.

Lloyd LaFoy—raising whiskers.

Fred Aiken—buying brick.

R. A. Hickey—dealing in poultry.

H. T. Moore—carrying a rabbit's foot.

Alex Frankel—holding seances in Cherry alley.

W. A. Livermore—holding banquets for stage hands.

Will Lowe—feeding the fish in McCullough's lake.

Harry B. Langan—posing as a prize fighter.

Clem Baxter—betting on a sure thing.

Andy Graham—playing pedro after ten p. m.

Al Newman—sympathizing with the fair ones.

George Keil—blushing in the presence of Canton ladies.

Ed. Johnston—thinking of anything except Springfield.

Hugo Seligman—imitating Sol Smith Russell.

Dr. Melville—holding office in local lodges.

Banta and Newman—drilling oil wells.

Ed. Hiner—being enrolled among the bachelors.

Ed. Snook—telling tales.

Shorty Hensler—growing.

Dusty Miller—working.

Roy Boynton—studying grammar.

Harry Watkins—running with the boys.

Harry Merrill—kicking.

Emmet Clem—getting shorter.

Alva Brown—failing to keep appointments, and working on Monday.

Charley DeVoe—playing on the stage at the Armory without an umbrella.

Policeman Burns—biting on Phil Goebel's bird jokes.

C. F. Bryan—Giving information on the currency question.

Andy Custy—visiting the confectionery stores so frequently.

Charley Hass—daily visits to Wapakoneta.

Seneca Large—buying livery stables at Ottawa.

George Tucker—belonging to the nail trust.

Cloyd Brotherton—inviting serenaders to come into his house.

Ed L. Curtis—going out west Spring street until the street is paved.

Harry Stilson—shaving Lloyd La Foy.

Wm. Willour, night clerk at the Lima House—wearing campaign buttons and badges.

H. M. Colvin—forming new acquaintances.

Louie Kepler—wearing wooden shoes.

Jim Neise—climbing stairs.

George Louden—trying to beat slot machines.

Sid Patton—being in a hurry.

Bob Spratt—hunting a wife.

Wright Wallace—beating Bob.

Will Schrader—getting his hair cut.

Sheriff Fisher—shooting quail.

Auditor Walther—making appointments to fill vacancies.

John Hunton—making frequent visits to Ft. Wayne.

Geo. Reel — accepting banana stocks as a present.

W. H. Spencer—borrowing water spaniels.

Gus Kerman—using tobacco.

Ed Ford—smoking cigarettes.

Attorney Lewis—being elected prosecuting attorney.

Chas. Mooney—posing.

Huston Spyker—thinking about more than our dear, good girl.

Harry Lamberton—growing shorter the rest of his life.

Cliff Haller—remaining single.

Frank Doan—playing with artistic radishes.

W. C. Shoemaker—accepting any other division than the D. & M.

H. K. Fredericks—talking Elk lodge.

P. Riley—racing on North street.

A DELIGHTFUL PARTY.

The Misses Reichelderfer Entertain a Large Number of their Friends.

The home of Mr and Mrs. A. C Reichelderfer, at 758 west Market street, was the scene last evening of a most delightful party given by the Misses Winona and Bessie Reichelderfer to their numerous friends It was a brilliant affair and more than one hundred guests were received at the door by the Misses Reichelderfer, Mr and Mrs. Merritt Reichelderfer and Miss Blanche Marmon.

The home was prettily decorated with carnations, roses, holly and mistletoe, and the latter decoration afforded no little amusement to the gentlemen, who seemed to realize that the ladies recognized the fact that the present leap year was nearly gone.

The guests amused themselves at cards and dancing until eleven o'clock when a delicious luncheon was served.

It was a brilliant party which was intensely enjoyed by all who were present.

Do you know the quickest way to cure a sprain or bruise, a burn or scald? Such injuries are very common and can be cured quickly if properly treated. Mr. J. M. Amerman, of Forks P. O., Columbia Co., Pa., says: "I have never found anything to compare with Chamberlain's Pain Balm for sprains, bruises and burns. We have used it in our family for several years and feel that we cannot do without it." For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by Melville, the druggist, old postoffice corner; O. W. Heister, 58 public square

Postoffice Hours for New Year's Day.

Letter carriers will make a delivery in the business section, leaving the postoffice at 7:25 a. m. They will also make one complete delivery throughout the city, except in those parts where but one delivery a day is made, leaving the postoffice at 8:15 a. m. Persons from single delivery districts may call for their mail at the carriers' window between 8:30 and 9:30 a. m., and also from 5 to 6 p. m.

The general delivery and stamp window will be open from 8:30 to 9:30 a. m. and from 5 to 6 p. m.

The money order and registry section will be open from 8:30 to 9:30 a. m.

All carriers will deliver mail from their windows from 5 to 6 p. m.

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The Discovery Saved His Life.

Mr. G. Caillouette, Druggist, Beaversville, Ills., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life Was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use, and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it." Get a free trial at H. F. Vortkamp's drug store, northeast corner Main and North streets.

George W. Brewbaker.

Another old pioneer of Allen county has passed away. He died at his late home in Allentown, Wednesday morning, Dec. 30th, 1896, aged 71 years. He leaves a wife, and two sons and three daughters, namely: George H., William A., Mrs. A. Cremean, Mrs. T. B Bowersock and Mrs. W. B. Clark. Funeral services will be held from the U. B. church at Allentown on New Year's morning at 10 o'clock, sun time.

Will Dance To-night.

The seventh annual grand ball, given by Lima Lodge No. 200, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, will occur to-night at music hall. The railroad boys have spared no pains in making all arrangements complete and the affair will doubtless be a pleasant one.

DISEASES OF THE SKIN.

The intense itching and smarting incident to eczema, tetter, salt-rheum, and other diseases of the skin is instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment. Many very bad cases have been permanently cured by it. It is equally efficient for itching piles and a favorite remedy for sore nipples; chapped hands, chilblains, frost bites, and chronic sore eyes. For sale by druggists at 25 cents per box.

Try Dr. Cady's Condition Powders, they are just what a horse needs when in bad condition. Tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge.

The Young People

Of the Market Street Presbyterian Church request your presence at a Tom Thumb Wedding in the church, Friday evening at 7 o'clock. Admission 15 cents. Children's performance, Saturday at 3 p. m. Admission 10 cents. 4 3t

THE CHRISTMASES GONE BY.

Pitiful are our excuses when our steps from old paths stray—
"It was best," "so led ambition," we are ever prone to say.
But at last, when worn and weary, and we slacken up our pace,
We begin to turn us backward, each with wistful, yearning face.
For a nameless pathos hovers o'er the region of no more
As the mist of Indian summer hangs about a lonely shore.
No exception to the yearning, to the past my fancies fly,
When Elaine and I were sweethearts in the Christmases gone by.

I can see the little village, with its simple folk, again,
And the narrow street that vanished in the frozen country lane;
One small store upon the corner, and the blacksmith shop near,
And the old mill's dingy windows gazing with a steady leer;
Children's merry shouting reach me, and the evening's murmurous swell
Is confined within my ears yet as the sea within the shell,
While the light from her small cottage seemed to beckon me to wish,
When Elaine and I were sweethearts in the Christmases gone by.

In the little homely parlor, with its carpetless, ash floor,
Where the mistletoe swung greenly just above the open door—
Why, compressed there, with her beauty and the glory of her face,
Was the essence of earth's pleasures and a lifetime's sweetest grace!
As we went to country parties through the matchless moonlit nights,
Parents' eyes and ears not near us to embarrass love's delights,
Then some vows were softly whispered of a love that would not die—
When Elaine and I were sweethearts in the Christmases gone by.

Courting by the great log fire, what to us was cause for fears,
Since we lived each for the other, as we thought in those dear years,
All the world to us was bounded by the wooded hills that far
Reached their pomp-adorned heads upward as to kiss some tender star.
Then no serpent came to tempt us, and no thought of flaming sword
That would guard us from our garden and the ways that we adored,
And a constant joy was with us in the hopes that flashed up high,
When Elaine and I were sweethearts in the Christmases gone by.

Vain ambition, seeing treasures where some mystic rainbow bends,
Tramples roses as the grasses growing where his pathway tends.
When we'd journey back, we notice years that, standing grim and gray,
Keep a guard for aye and ever on the gates of yesterday,
But in thought at least we pass them, and I wrong no heart, I know,
If but now and then I think of one I knew so long ago,
Trusting that today her bosom is as free from sob and sigh
As when she and I were sweethearts in the Christmases gone by.

Weak old man, forever dreaming here among the city scenes,
Looking wistfully to youth's days, o'er the time that intervenes,
Seeing naught as Yuletide neareth fairer than old southern hills,
And the pure, sweet face that maybe now is sad with worrying ills.

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Stay! But I sometimes fancy, whatsoever death may bring,
Life within some lilied region, with its green, perennial spring,
The hereafter will be sweeter, as I think, with moistened eye,
When Elaine and I were sweethearts in the Christmases gone by.

—Will T. Hale in Chicago Times-Herald.

TO HARNESS A RIVER.

Immense Water Power Plant to Be Developed Near Massena, N. Y.

Word has just been received by Stewart & Co. of New York, that has been engaged in financing a scheme to develop an immense water power plant on the St. Lawrence river near the little town of Massena, N. Y., that bonds to the value of $3,000,000 have been placed in London, thus insuring all the capital necessary.

The concession was obtained very quietly from the legislature last May and shortly afterward passed into the hands of Mr. Stewart. The plan is to build a canal 300 feet wide and 25 feet deep from the St. Lawrence river at a point opposite Long Sault island to the Grass river at Massena, a distance of about four miles. For nearly all of this distance the country is a natural plateau, but there is a drop of 50 feet just at the Grass river, and electrical power is to be developed here by means of turbine wheels. The plan now is for the development of about 200,000 horsepower.

The St. Lawrence Power company, which is yet to be formed to operate the concession, owns 1,800 acres of land in the neighborhood, and it is intended that factories shall be erected there and a town built. Massena is on the line of the New York Central and Grand Trunk railways. John Bogart, formerly state engineer, is the consulting engineer for this enterprise. He thinks the canal can be finished within a year.—New York Herald.

Tom Reed's Vagabond Clothes.

One of Tom Reed's cast off suits of clothes is wandering about the country on the person of a vagabond barber, who was in a party of tramps that broke into Reed's cottage at Grand Beach last summer. The fact leaked out in the Portland police court, where one of the tramps was arraigned, and now the Cumberland county officials want to get a pull on that vagabond barber's whiskers. Meanwhile all persons are cautioned against bestowing hospitalities or courtesies upon any of Tom Reed's clothes unless Mr. Reed is present to vouch for them.—Lewiston Journal.

Something to Know.

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centres in the stomach, gently stimulates the Liver and Kidneys, and aids these organs in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50c or $1 00 per bottle at H. F Vortkamp's drug store, northeast corner Main and North streets

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Plan to Hold It In 1899 Near the Niagara River.

The air is full of rumors and half a dozen schemes of great importance for the benefit of mankind generally and of Niagara Falls in particular are said to be afloat. But one project that has been kept very quiet has recently become town talk and certainly has the merit of feasibility and originality.

Although nothing definite can be ascertained as to the exact plans of those interested, the idea seems to be to hold a pan-American exposition somewhere along the Niagara river in the year 1899 to illustrate the progress of the new world during the century which began in 1800. It is said that this project has very substantial backing and that its representatives are now in New York making arrangements for the preliminary steps.

The idea of this exposition is said to be that while Niagara Falls would receive much of the benefit it would be by no means a local affair. In fact, the co-operation of very prominent Buffalo, New York and Niagara Falls men has, it is claimed, already been secured, so that there shall be no jealousy of location excited.

It is impossible to furnish any details of this project, as those mainly interested are now in New York conferring with the Exhibitors' association of America, with the various railroad companies and with other corporations which would naturally be interested in an enterprise of such importance as that proposed.—Niagara Falls Cor. Buffalo Express.

ALMOST A FAMINE.

Louisiana's Corn Failure and Cotton Shortage Cause Distress.

A committee of representative business men of the state of Louisiana, appointed by the governor, is in St. Louis to obtain a special rate on corn to that state, there being a famine in that commodity there. U. Millsap of Monroe, La., chairman, said:

"The condition of the farming classes in the northern and middle sections of our state cannot be overdrawn. The corn crop failed, and the cotton crop was very poor. There is almost a famine in 11 parishes in the north central part of the state, in the territory between the Ouachita and Red rivers.

"We estimate that we will have to purchase 500,000 or 600,000 bushels of corn in the western markets. The governor has appointed us to ask the railroads for a special rate on corn destined to the portions of the state where the crop was a failure."—Philadelphia Press.

Brice's Son a College Editor.

John Francis Brice, youngest son of the Ohio senator, has just been elected the first editor of The Harvard Advocate from the class of '99. He was also the first editor on The Lampoon from his class, which means that he will be president of both papers in his senior year, as no one has been for years. He has an article in the last number of the monthly also and seems to be the shining literary light of his class. A new musical composition of his, "The Vindex March," is also attracting considerable attention to the young man.

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A CLOSE CALL.

An Adventure With Kentucky Moonshiners by a Railroad Surveyor.

I had been sent into eastern Kentucky by a firm of contractors to go over the route of a projected line of railway on which they purposed to throw a short spur leading up into the mountains for the development of certain mining lands.

It was a bright, lazy day in early autumn. The trees already were turning to gold and scarlet, and from the uplands I caught glimpses of many a glorious panorama spread out in the valleys below which would have delighted the heart of a painter.

I had dismounted in order to examine the rock formation of a jutting hill which must be tunneled if the road were built, and, leaving my horse tied to a sapling, had strolled along quite a distance to a spot where a clear mountain stream tumbled over precipitous rocks and went singing and babbling away into the lowlands.

The snapping of a broken twig startled me and interrupted a pleasant reverie. I turned and saw coming toward me down the bridle path two sturdy mountain boys, one of whom carried a rifle. They might easily have been mistaken for squirrel hunters were it not for the fact that they were leading an old gray mule, across whose back were swung four large jugs tied together.

Though somewhat surprised by this meeting, I stepped forward to make a few inquiries of the newcomers. No sooner did they see me than they turned the mule sharply around, struck the animal several resounding whacks with a cudgel, left the path abruptly and disappeared in the thick underbrush beside the rough mountain road.

This action gave me all the clew I needed as to their business. They evidently were "moonshiners," and the jugs probably were filled with illicit whisky, made in some hidden ravine far from the prying eyes of the government's revenue officers.

Poor devils! I found myself actually sympathizing with them and condoning the one form of lawlessness which in all that section is regarded as a positive virtue. Among all these rocks and gullies how else could they earn even a scanty living? Agriculture never could gain a foothold there, grazing is impracticable, game has become scarce through the continual encroachments of civilization, but hundreds of mountain brooks, clear as crystal and ice cold the year round, invite the backwoodsmen to bid defiance to government taxation and engage in the only pursuit which holds out even the promise of profit. Who but a revenue hireling could blame them?

I had scarcely finished my sentimental musings and started back toward my horse when three horsemen came crashing through the brush into the open roadway. A single glance showed me they were not natives of that section and told them the same fact about myself.

"Seen anything of two fellows with a mule?" gruffly inquired one.

Involuntarily I nodded my head.

"Ah! How long ago?"

"Um—about ten minutes."

"Which way did they go?"

I pointed in the opposite direction from that in which I had seen the "moonshiners" disappear, and the revenue officials scurried away without even waiting to give me the thanks I knew I did not deserve.

The sounds of their hoof beats had not died away when a clump of bushes across the path suddenly stirred, the dense foliage parted, and a gaunt mountaineer, carrying a gun, stepped out and came toward me.

"Good morning," I exclaimed, trying to overcome my surprise.

"Mornin, suh," he replied, advancing.

"That was a pretty close call, wasn't it?" I continued, referring to the officers.

"Reckon yo' air right, suh," he drawled, evidently referring to something else. Then, tapping his gun barrel, he added:

"I've been sightin along this foh the last five minutes, suh, at the third button on yo' vest."—Frank S. Pixley in Chicago Times-Herald.

A Give Away.

Wife (at breakfast)—Oh, John! I'll bet I know whom you gave your seat to coming home in the car last night.

John (who had been out all night having a quiet little game with the boys)—Oh, don't be so foolish. How could you ever guess? Are you a mind reader? I don't believe I gave up my seat at all.

Wife—Yes you did. You dear old boy, you let a poor old Irishman have it; for I heard you say in your sleep, "Oh, that's all right; I'll stand Pat."—New York Journal.

The Usual Rule.

She—Isn't the rule, "When in doubt, play trumps?"

He—The usual rule is, "When in doubt, ask what are trumps."—Scottish Nights.

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SALTING DOWN PORK.

Methods That Have Given Satisfaction For Twenty-seven Years.

A New Jersey correspondent of The New England Homestead writes of methods practiced by him with entire success for the past 30 years. He says:

For pork one of the first considerations is a clean barrel. I have used the same barrel for the past 30 years and have cleaned it each year as follows: Put about three pails of water and a peck of clean wood ashes in the barrel, then put in hot irons enough to boil the water, cover closely and by adding a hot iron occasionally keep it boiling for a couple of hours. Wash the barrel thoroughly, and it will be sweet as a new barrel. Cover the bottom of the barrel with coarse salt. Cut the pork into strips about six inches wide, stand edgewise in the barrel, with the skin next the outside, till the bottom is covered, then cover with a thick coat of salt so as to hide the pork entirely. Repeat in the same manner till the barrel is full or the pork is all in. Cover the top layer with salt thickly. Let it stand about three or four days and then put on a flat stone and cold water enough to cover the pork. After the water is on sprinkle one-quarter pound best black pepper over it. An inch of salt in the bottom and between each layer and 1½ inches on top will be sufficient to keep the pork without making a brine. Some people make a brine that will bear an egg, but I never do.

For hams, I weigh the hams, and for 100 pounds of meat I use 4 pounds of the best fine salt, a pound of sugar and 4 ounces saltpeter. Mix thoroughly and rub it into the flesh side of the ham, not forgetting the shank, and place on a board or shelf. When the mixture has struck in, rub again. There will be enough to rub the meat three times. It usually takes about three weeks to complete the job. Hang up immediately and smoke. This recipe will cure the large and small hams alike and just right for cooking, as the meat will not take in more than the right quantity. If these directions are intelligently followed, a first quality of ham will be secured. For bacon use the same mixture as for hams.

Moisture In Cellars.

As a rule, says the Iowa Homestead, western cellars are too dry to winter fruits and vegetables in. Vegetables, therefore, are best buried in the earth or in a special cave for them, and where apples are stored in any considerable quantities a special cellar is necessary. Recently, when accompanying an expert who was examining some fine fruits in his cellar, the authority quoted observed that a hand brought water down and sprinkled the floor quite thoroughly before closing the cellar door. After an all night airing during a cool night he said he found this absolutely necessary in order that apples should keep well during the fall, when dry air was the rule. It kept the fruit from shriveling, and they continued to be more plump until freezing weather came. He tried to avoid such a degree of moisture and conditions of warmth as would cause mold, but aimed to keep the cellar damp and as cool as possible.

Pruning In the West.

In reply to the query whether peach trees should be pruned back in the autumn, Iowa Homestead says:

We cannot gauge our operations with the peach by those that are successfully employed in the east and south. There cutting back is practiced at the close of the season's growth and at the beginning of the ripening period of the wood. This practice is beneficial in those localities, but we have found that summer pruning, with the removal of foliage and the cutting off of shoots, weakens plants and destroys vitality. Open parts or pruned parts permit a greater evaporation of vital sap flow that is in a semidormant state all winter. For successfully wintering, trees should ripen their leaves naturally without frost and drop them naturally, and then the tree is sealed hermetically at every point. All this is against the idea of late cutting back of trees and plants in a western climate.

Corn as Fuel.

While not very much corn may be used as fuel in the state of Iowa, yet farther west, where the distance from the soft coal mines renders hard coal cheaper than soft coal for fuel, there is no reason why the farmer should not burn his corn, according to a writer in Wallace's Farmer. He says:

It is much easier to sit by the stove, redhot with corn and read the papers on a cold day than it is to haul the corn five or ten miles to town and sell it at 10 cents a bushel and buy hard coal at $10 a ton. We do not know the relative quantities of heat given out by a ton of hard coal and a ton of corn, but a ton of corn, cob and all, which is the form in which it is used for fuel, would be worth, at 10 cents a bushel, $2.85, and we would take our chances on getting more heat out of corn at this rate than coal at $10 or $11 a ton.

Terraces and Ditches.

Old terraces and ditches should be repaired and new ones made, that they may become settled and firm before the heavy spring rains come. The terraces should not be made too narrow. There should be at least two feet of firm, compact earth in the middle not touched by the plow. This will better resist the force of the heavy, washing winter and spring rains. After the terraces are completed, if they are sown in rye or wheat, this will add still further to their power of resistance.—Exchange.

PROFIT IN SQUABS.

Pigeon Producing For the Market on Long Island.

P. R. Ketchem of Amityville, Long Island, began raising squabs for market six years ago with 700 breeding pigeons. He now has 2,000. For the accommodation of these 2,000 pigeons he has built ten pens of wire netting, each pen 100 feet long and 12 feet wide. They vary in height from 12 to 16 feet and stand side by side and are formed by dividing one great wire roofed inclosure into ten parts. There are in the pens a few perches placed at a height of about eight feet for the pigeons to roost upon. There are ten pigeon houses, one for each pen.

In buying stock for breeding Mr. Ketcham prefers Antwerps, but it is difficult to get enough of them, and so he has crossed Antwerps with good large common birds. Pigeons lay two eggs a month, good birds laying ten months in the year, from November to August, inclusive. Then the birds molt, and in November the females begin laying again. Where a large number of pigeons are kept there will be some that will molt a little out of season, so that there will be some eggs and some squabs the year around.

While the pigeon houses are always kept as clean as they can be without disturbing the pigeons, only advantage is taken of the molting season for a thorough cleaning. A little stack of tobacco stems is placed in the corner of each house for material, and from this the birds build their nests, the male bird carrying the material, straw by straw, to the female, which stands at the box and arranges the nest.

When the female has begun laying again, it lays its two eggs on successive days, and at intervals of 28 days, or possibly less. On laying the first egg it begins sitting at once, the male bird alternating with it. The eggs are hatched in from 14 to 17 days. The squabs may be 2 weeks or less old when the mother bird begins sitting on another pair of eggs. The young pigeons would not in the ordinary course of events leave the nest to fly until they were 4 or 5 weeks old. If it had but one nest, the mother bird would lay its eggs and begin to hatch them in the same nest with its half grown squabs. At the establishment described here two boxes, or nests, are provided for each pair of birds, so that the female that has half grown squabs in its nest may have another nest in which to deposit its eggs. By this arrangement there is less danger of the eggs being broken.

Food is provided in the pens twice a day, in troughs and on the ground, in quantity sufficient to satisfy the pigeons' hunger and to provide them with pickings, so that they may supply their young. Water is supplied in small, shallow tanks. The pigeons are great drinkers and they bathe often. A pigeon is likely to take a bath every two days. The principal food supplied to them is cracked corn and whole wheat. In the fall, in the molting season, plenty of hemp seed is given to them, which helps them to molt and tends to make them begin laying again quicker. While these are the principal articles of food there are fed to the pigeons at intervals, as they may require them and in limited quantities, other things as a sort of relish and to keep the birds' appetites good and the birds themselves in good condition. What these other things are the pigeon breeders do not disclose.

The pigeon grows rapidly, and in three or four weeks it is ready to kill as a squab. Squabs of good breed weigh seven or eight pounds to the dozen. Pigeons begin to lay when they are from 4 to 6 months old and continue to lay for 12 years. Pigeons once mated, if not separated, remain mated always.

In the breeding season the pigeon raiser goes through the pigeon houses in winter two or three times a week and in summer about every day and selects the squabs that are of the right age and size to kill. The number varies from week to week. There are some squabs obtainable the year round. Mr. Ketcham said that in five years he had not missed a week in shipping some, though in some months the supply is very light. He ships an average of 200 squabs a week for eight to ten months in the year and altogether between 7,000 and 8,000 squabs a year, at an average wholesale price of about 20 cents. This, of course, is not all profit. There is to be deducted the cost of care and feed and of marketing, to say nothing of the original cost of plant in pens and houses and of stock, but when such results as these are attained there is in the business what is described as a "good, fair profit."

A great many more squabs than pigeons are sold. Prices are now generally lower than ever on account of the extended facilities for carrying stock in cold storage. Squabs have been sold years ago at retail as high as $7 a dozen. The average retail price now is about $3 a dozen. It may be $4 or $5 in winter and $3.50 in summer. Dark skinned squabs are worth $1 less.

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Trolley Conductors' Eyes.

Street railway men, who are inclined to ascribe all the ills from which they suffer to the introduction of electricity as a motive power on the car lines, have discovered new grounds for complaint about the hardships of the lives they lead. A conductor of the Columbia avenue line put the case in a nutshell the other night when he said: "Railroadin ain't the softes' job there is in the world. When I commenced, 12 years ago, I was stronger'n Sandow, an now it's as much as I can do to carry a fistful of nickels. My sight's beginnin to fail me now, an it's all on account of these here electric lights, for they've knocked out lots of the boys already. Every time we cross a current 'breaker' the light flashes, an what with the constant jarrin it makes my head ache all the time. I'd rather work under a tallow candle or a calcium light—anything, so long's it's steady. I'll soon have to be wearin glasses like the most of 'em. Thirty-two out of the 58 regulars an subs on this division wears glasses already." — Philadelphia Record.

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FOOD FOR THE CATS.

English Sparrows Have to Fight For Their Lives In London.

If left to himself, the London sparrow would probably multiply exceedingly, for there is enough waste from every human household to keep at least one pair of sparrows. That would give something like 1,500,000 sparrows to the area of greater London. But these figures do not represent actual facts. The sparrow population is rigorously kept down, not by want of fecundity—for at the zoo, for instance, where food and shelter abound, the birds seem to breed at all seasons of the year—but by the operation of the natural enemy, that great fact in all wild life, which even the progressive London sparrow cannot avoid. The natural enemy in this case is the London cat. If any one will count up the number of houses in his or her knowledge which do not possess a cat, the numbers and ubiquity of the natural enemy will become apparent. Poor people keep more cats than rich people, so the small houses abound in cats. Rich folsk' cats which have large houses, as a rule, only catch the sparrows on their own estate, but poor cats have to poach at large, and their ravages among the young sparrows are prodigious. It has been observed that a sparrow killing cat bags on an average two young birds a day. No amount of correction seems to prevent their indulgence in this form of sport. They know it is wrong, but it is too fascinating. One young cat of the writer's acquaintance went into a fit after a mild beating for killing young sparrows, and as soon as he recovered went off to catch another. A cat in the same house which was surprised with two naked nestlings in its mouth slipped them underneath a mat on the stairs when it saw its mistress approaching. Nature is too strong for them, and the drawing room pussy seems no more able to resist the taste for sport than the stable cat.—London Spectator.

She Couldn't Help Him.

The Delsarte teacher had given her last lesson for the day, "How to fall down stairs gracefully," and dismissed the class, when a young man with an air of homely rusticity about him and so tall that his head interfered with the chandeliers applied for an interview. As he was bashful the teacher had to encourage him.

"What can I do for you?" she asked.

"Can you make folks over?"

"Well, hardly. But I can assist them to make the most of their physical powers."

"Hem. Do you think you could make 'em taller?"

"Surely," cried the teacher in alarm, "you don't want to be any taller?"

"No'm; it isn't me; it's my wife. You see, it's this way. I built a house and furnished it before I was married, and I did it to surprise 'em, and now she don't like it.'"

"What is wrong?"

"Why, you see, I built it to suit me, and my wife is a leetle mite of a thing, and she can't reach a shelf in the house without standing on a chair. And there ain't a sofy or a chair that she can sit on 'thout her feet dangling, an every nail I've driv in the wall is too high for her to reach."

"But how can I help you?"

"Why, if you can make her a head taller by this here Delsarte business I'd pay you most anything, and then it would be a heap cheaper than building a new house and buying new furniture, and I bet I'd like 'em just the same."

He left dejectedly when informed that the teacher could not add one inch to his wife's stature.—Detroit Free Press.

'Tis Midnight!

Hark! All through the house rings the awful sound, once heard never forgotten, the sound of a child's croup cough. There is no time to lose. Croup is a monster that will not be trifled with. Then is the time that if you have neglected to provide yourself with a bottle of Dr. Hand's Cough and Croup Medicine you fully realize how careless and neglectful you have been. It is worth its weight in gold at that critical moment. And yet it costs only 25c a bottle at any drug store.

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DRAWN WORK.

Some Valuable Hints on the Artistic Working of Linen.

The dainty method of decorating linens, which found so much favor in our grandmothers' time, has again become exceedingly popular. Not only are the sheets and pillowcases finished in this manner, but the table linen, doilies, tray cloths, carving cloths, etc., as well as aprons, handkerchiefs, throws and articles innumerable.

Linen handkerchiefs may be of the drawn work, so fine that they will look like lace, but this is very trying work on the eyes. For this reason drawn work is often criticised, it being taken for granted that, because certain articles made from very fine smooth linen prove harmful to the eyes, all patterns of drawn work are equally injurious. The harm comes not so much from the quality of the linen and the pattern of the work as from the unwise methods of working.

If one becomes enthusiastic over a certain pattern, and, determining to finish it within a certain time, works at it for several hours in succession, perhaps by lamplight or flickering gaslight, the eyes will soon become tired and perhaps injured. But when used as "pick up work" many beautiful little articles may be fashioned in the odd moments which would otherwise be wasted without the slightest injury to the eyes.

It is scarcely necessary to describe this simple stitch, which can be learned in a few moments from any friend or acquaintance if not already understood, but suggestions in regard to the linen to be selected and the articles to be fashioned may prove helpful.

For dainty throws, fine handkerchiefs, etc., the fine linen used for shirt bosoms and cuffs will be satisfactory and is not very expensive. But for the table and bed linen the quality known as linen sheeting is more desirable.

The handsome little doilies which grace the cake and bread plates, etc., are within the reach of every housewife who has a few odd moments each day to devote to needlework. A third of a yard of linen sheeting will make eight good sized ones and will cost about 50 cents. All that is needed besides the linen is a spool of linen thread—No. 100—or, if color is desired, a few skeins of wash silk and a strip of oilcloth on which to baste the work.

It may be better to make the doilies in sets of six—two large ones for the bread plates, say 10 inches square after they are hemmed, somewhat smaller for the cake plates and still smaller for the finger bowls. The hem wears much better than even the double fringe which is so popular. For the doilies make the hem about an inch wide and draw three or four threads for the hemstitching. For the drawn work use a simple pattern about 2 inches wide and rather close.

For a carving cloth (half a yard of linen sheeting will make three) a more elaborate pattern may be selected, and a much broader one, and, if desired, corners may be worked inside of the border.

Tray cloths may be made in the same way, but of course the size may be regulated by the size of your tray. Pillowshams made of drawn work are very handsome and may be finished with hemstitching and fine linen lace.

Very pretty drapes for the dressers, bureau, etc., may be made from the finer grades of butchers' linen, or scrim, and are easily and quickly made, as the threads are readily drawn, and open patterns are used.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Paid Too Much For the Baby.

Caleb has three children—John, Mary and Jane. John is the eldest and so the most inquiring. He had heard that babies were bought from doctors, and one day asked his mother about prices.

"Mother, how much did I cost?" he inquired.

As some reply had to be made, his mother said $1,000. John thought it over for a moment, and then asked:

"How much did you pay for Mary?"

"Fifteen hundred dollars."

"Why, she cost more than me."

"Yes, girls always cost more than boys."

"What did you pay for Jane?" Jane is a little self willed tyrant.

"Jane cost $2,000," said Mrs. Caleb, and John lapsed into deep thought.

In a few moments he said, "Mamma, I don't think Mary cost too much, but you got stuck with Jane."—New York Times.

CUPID'S GREAT SHOT.

REMARKABLE LOVE AFFAIR OF CHICAGO MAN AND OHIO GIRL.

A Romance In Black and White In Which a Real Estate Dealer, a Country Maiden and Two Colored Folks Are the Heroes and Heroines.

The announcement of the engagement of Mr. Claude M. Sanford, a leading real estate man of Chicago, and Miss Gladys Westlake, a leading society young lady of Fernwood, was detailed to The Plain Dealer representative this evening. The novel and unique circumstances bringing about this unusual occurrence have set the people of that thriving little town all agog.

Miss Westlake, following her graduation last season, spent the winter with her mother in Europe. She is a vivacious young girl of 19 summers, and the rather monotonous life of her country home after her return last spring from her winter spent in society in the old world soon began to cause her to seek some new avenue for amusement, and accordingly she resolved on inserting an advertisement in a leading Ohio paper for a gentleman correspondent, "just for fun, you know." It read: "Gentleman correspondent wanted. Address Miss G. Westlake, Fernwood, O."

Claude M. Sanford, sitting at his desk in Chicago last June, ran across the advertisement, and he, too, "just for fun," thought he would have a little amusement during the summer months, and hastily penned a brief note to the above address. A number of other similar advertisements appeared in the paper, and he exhibited the paper to several of his friends, who picked out different ones and did likewise. Busied with the cares of his profession, he forgot his unknown correspondent, and after a week's time had elapsed, one evening just as he was leaving his office he was handed a neat little pink envelope. He scanned the address, which was an entirely unknown handwriting to him, but observing the postmark he saw it was from his unknown. He found his correspondent to be an exceptionally good letter writer and her chirography elegant. He was well pleased, but the correspondence lagged for some weeks, then both parties seemed to have been pierced by Cupid's darts, and the letters came thick and fast. It was not long until Mr. Sanford acknowledged himself deeply in love with Miss Westlake and asked for her photograph, but was refused. The correspondence continued until the first of this month, when Mr. Sanford, in his customary businesslike way, boldly proposed. He was promptly accepted by Miss Westlake, much to his very agreeable surprise. Arrangements were at once made for a meeting, and Saturday was arranged as the date, and extensive preparations were made by both.

Neither having ever seen the other or a photograph, a unique plan of recognition was hit upon previous to the election in that if McKinley was elected each was to wear a yellow chrysanthemum; if Bryan was successful, a white one was to be the label.

As the time approached Mr. Sanford became uneasy and thought possibly he might be the victim only of a huge joke. He became much perturbed, and oftimes pictured as best he could how he would feel if it all turned out a hoax. But to obviate this he hit upon another novel scheme, and, calling his colored porter into the play, confided to him his situation and arranged to take the porter, George W. Ford, along with him. Ford was to wear the chrysanthemum, alight from the front end of the train, while he would, unobserved, alight from the rear. If the whole thing was a hoax, he would conceal his identity and return wiser but unhappy, but if Miss Westlake was there he would disclose his identity and more than be pleased to fulfill his part.

When the train due at 3:40 Saturday afternoon pulled into Jackson on the Ohio Southern road, as prearranged, Ford stepped off the train, his monster yellow chrysanthemum forming quite a striking contrast with his complexion. He quickly surveyed the crowd in search of the lady with the corresponding sign. Sanford alighted from the rear of the train, and, sauntering up the platform to reconnoiter, his chagrin can be better imagined than expressed when he observed equally as dark hued a lady, with a mammoth yellow chrysanthemum prominently pinned on her jacket, engaged in an animated conversation with Ford.

A bevy of young ladies about this time attracted the crestfallen lover's attention by their seeming interest in his porter and new made friend. They seemed to be directing their jests toward a beautiful brunette, whose face was flushed and who seemed nonplused for something to respond to her "mean companions." Just at this juncture Mr. Sanford, having drawn nearer, heard one of the girls say, "Gladys, what do you think of Mr. Sanford?" and pointed toward the porter. The remarkable coincidence at once dawned on Sanford that his fair stranger had been equal in strategy and pursued the same tactics and brought her colored maid. He at once stepped up to the crowd and introduced himself to Miss Westlake. An introduction to the rest of the now blushing crowd followed by his sweetheart, and shortly afterward the merry crowd was being hastily driven in the direction of Fernwood, where a brilliant reception was given Mr. Sanford. Over 300 invitations were mailed at Jackson announcing the happy denouement of the correspondence. Their marriage was one of the largest and most elaborate weddings ever held in that section of the state.

The colored porter and maid were even more infatuated with one another than the other two, and though not a part of the original programme, Sunday evening the Rev. Lincoln Webster pronounced them man and wife.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A BLIND GIRL SEES.

HE WAS SUBJECTED TO X RAYS IN EDISON'S LABORATORY.

She Recognizes Objects and Is Able to Tell Their Color—Mr. Edison Arrives at More Accurate Results While Making His Researches.

Another illustration of the marvelous power of the X rays has just taken place in the Edison laboratory in Orange. A young girl of Newark, N. J., received a severe blow on the head three years ago, which, acting on the optic nerves, caused absolute and total blindness.

A friend took her to Edison's laboratory a few days ago, not with the intention of testing the X rays, but to have the interior of her head examined to locate the pressure on the nerves. It was the opinion of oculists that if this spot could be located trephining could be performed and the sight restored.

The girl was placed under the X rays, but, although her head was completely permeated by the rays, no special lesion could be located. The head was so transparent while the X rays were playing on it that Mr. Edison placed his own hand on the opposite side of it and distinctly saw the bones and their articulation.

Then he thought he would try the effect of the X rays directly on the eyes. The girl instantly saw light for the first time in three years. She was able to tell the different shapes of objects held before her eyes while suffused with the X rays and described them accurately. In the case of a disk of brass she even was able to tell the color, saying that it was yellow. The experiment was considered a great success.

I asked Mr. Edison about the Robarts experiments in St. Louis and also the ones in San Francisco. He said that if the reports were true there was a big "fake" somewhere. All the accounts that he had seen spoke of the sight being restored temporarily to the patients by means of the fluoroscope. This, he said, was an impossibility, as the fluoroscope stopped the X rays entirely.

They were absorbed in the fluoroscope screen, and beyond that was seen only white light. For this reason he doubted the truth of the experiments or that the reports had been correctly made.

He said he was experimenting on himself, closing his eyes and being blindfolded. In this way he could arrive at more accurate results, for the reason that he knew absolutely the conditions prevailing and would not be deceived by an appearance such as might be the case with a blind man.

He is having special apparatus made that will still further develop this side of the question.—New York Herald.

IS GETTING YOUNG AGAIN.

John Adams Is Ninety Years Old, but Is Cutting New Teeth.

A remarkable case of second childhood exists in the little Michigan village of Coopersville, where resides John Adams. Many instances of old people regaining their eyesight and a few of cutting teeth have been reported, but these are rare. It has remained for John Adams, a hardy Wolverene, to establish a new and unparalleled record.

Adams, when he was 80 years old, could scarcely see, was bald, and his teeth were all gone. He can now see as well as he ever could, has cut several new teeth and his hair has grown out again. The new hair is dark brown, his eyes are clear, and at a first glimpse he looks like a man of about 40 years old.

But a little closer look makes him seem even older than he really is, although he is now nearly 90. The brown hair and bright eyes seem to emphasize the wrinkles, and his skin looks like parchment. He now has an idea that a new skin will come and that the wrinkles will disappear. Mr. Adams is in excellent health and spirits, and confidently believes that he will live a long time yet.

Who Wouldn't Be a Prisoner There?

The first afternoon tea ever held in the Tombs was given yesterday afternoon in the women's prison by Mrs. Sarah J. Bird, who has for years been associated with the Bowery mission. Matrons Smith and Gardner assisted Mrs. Bird in entertaining the eighty odd women and girl prisoners. Mrs. Foster, the Tombs Angel, came in with Maria Barberi. The women seemed to enjoy the diversion very much, and Mrs. Bird will continue the teas every Friday afternoon during the winter.

Strange Death of an Engineer.

W. A. Fox, a Santa Fe railway engineer, has died from a malady that baffled the skill of physicians. On Nov. 1 Fox's foot "went to sleep," and from this strange disease his leg gradually wasted away. Physicians say the trouble was not rheumatism, and a consultation of medical men was held, but they cannot explain the strange fatality.

Terrible, Indeed.

Here is a leading English paper urging the British government to put a tariff on beet sugar for the benefit of the West India planters and adding that if it doesn't do so the planters may seek annexation of their islands to the United States. Shade of Cobden! Isn't it terrible?—New York Tribune.

Exposition Abandoned.

Owing to the refusal of the bankers to contribute, it has been decided to abandon the proposed exposition which was to be held in Milwaukee in 1898 to commemorate the semicentennial anniversary of the admission of Wisconsin into the Union. Some different form of celebration will be adopted.

A Valuable 2 Cents' Worth.

French 2 cent postal cards, issued for the czar's visit to Paris, are now sold for $1 if they bear the postmark of the day of the czar's arrival.

WHAT A CHILD WANTS TO BE

Girls Desire to Teach, Boys to Handle Tools, When Grown Up.

Children in their early teens have strange ambitions. From 2,500 replies to the question, "What would you like to do or be when you grow up?" it is recorded in the annual report of the department of instruction in New York that among the girls 38 per cent wanted to be teachers, 24 per cent milliners, 11 per cent clerks and stenographers, 3 per cent housekeepers; storekeepers, nurses and servants, each 2 per cent; artists, 1 per cent; then follow missionaries, musicians, factory hands and those who hope to be wives and mothers, each about three-fourths of 1 per cent. It is indeed a poor showing for the desire for motherhood. What is wrong with our schooling system that most young girls make up their minds that they would like to be teachers, and that only three-fourths of 1 per cent of them express any interest in being a wife and mother?

Among the boys who were questioned the most popular occupations related to the trades. Fourteen per cent had this preference. Next in frequency came the desire to be merchants, 12 per cent; then clerks, 7 per cent; then farmers, 6 per cent; doctors, about 5 per cent; lawyers, about 5 per cent; engineers, nearly 4 per cent; teachers and soldiers, each 3 per cent; railroad men and sailors, each 2½ per cent; business, 2 per cent. The rest named 35 different occupations. It was noticed that the boys thought that an occupation that dealt with tools, plants or animals meant something that conferred power over one's fellows. Only in boys about 7 years old was there a large preference for such occupations as that of policeman, fireman or railroad man. As he grows older the average boy modifies his desire for the perilous, until at 14 he wants to be a bank clerk. There is one interesting exception to this. The ambition to be a sailor appears at 7 and increases slowly, culminating at 14.

Here is the composition of a boy of 14, parents American, his father a laborer: "When I am a man, I will go to sea and be a sailor on the stormy ocean. Then I can see strange and foreign lands and places, where no man but the sailor can go. * * * I can go among the icebergs of the antarctic region, and I can spend a nightly winter in some arctic country. The dark continent holds many joys for the sailor. He can hunt and have adventures without other cost than walking into them. Because I speak in such glowing terms of the sailor does not say that I think he has no discomforts, for what kind of life does not have its full share of the dangers and discomforts? The millionaire frets about the fact that some bank will go under. * * * Even the poorest laborer frets, fearing he and his family will starve to death when he has no work. And now, hurrah for the sailor!"

And here is a little end of the century old maid of 9, of English and American parentage, whose father is a staid minister of the gospel: "I want to marry a man that doesn't smoke, because I don't like the smell of smoke. I want to teach school where they will let me spank the children. For children need discipline. I want to wear bloomers all the time. I want to wear a cutaway suit. Because it looks nice with bloomers. I will wear russet shoes and brown stockings. I want to have my hair cut short. Because it will be color."—New York Press.

THE EVANGELISTS.

Perhaps It Is For the Best That None of the Original Gospels Exists.

Some of our readers there may be who find it difficult to understand why, since God has revealed to us his will in a book, or rather in a library of inspired books, as the Bible truly is, he has not at the same time given us an infallible text. How much labor would have been saved had we possessed the autographs of four evangelists! To this we answer that, had one such autograph existed, some branch of the Christian church—possibly every branch, ourselves included—would have made an idol of the writer's parchment while neglecting its teaching altogether. We can only seek to comprehend the ways of Providence in one sphere by observing them in another. Man is the heir of all things, yet he is sent into the world to depend for food, clothing and all the comforts and adornments of life on his wits. How greatly is he thereby differentiated from the brutes! How immeasurably is the educated man, and especially the scientific investigator, raised above the savage simply as the result of his own efforts!

Is it not possible that he who gave the word of life designs to quicken our interest in it by arousing afresh in each successive generation of Christians the desire to approach nearer to its sources, to remove the undergrowth of legend and tradition which has sometimes obstructed its free course, and that we are saved from the danger of finding it trite by the feeling that we possess a divine treasure which, though a gift, is not entirely independent of our own exertions for the measure in which it shall minister to our edification?—Agnes Smith Lewis in Century.

Plucking Fowls.

Plucking fowls may be easily and quickly accomplished in this way: As soon as the bird is dead immerse it in a pail of very hot water, the water to cover all the feathers. One minute is usually long enough to keep the fowl under hot water. Too long soaking is liable to discolor the skin. After this hot bath the feathers are so loosened that they can be almost rubbed off. The bird is then rinsed in cold water and wiped with a soft cloth. It should then be put into a cotton bag kept for this purpose and hung in a cool place. When fowls are not to be used at once, they should always be loosely rolled in cloth or paper to keep them from turning dark. Ducks cannot be managed in this way, as their feathers contain so much oil that the water does not penetrate them.—New York Sun.

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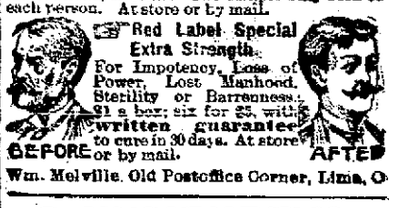

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Judge Sheets, of Ottawa, is in the city this afternoon.

Miss Ford, of Ottawa, is visiting friends in the city.

A. V. Watts, of Ottawa, was in the city this morning.

Clyde Schwab, of Columbus, is visiting his father in this city.

E. W. Van Pelt, of Chicago, is in the city looking for a business location.

Mrs. Gilson Moore, of Ottawa, was the guest of Mrs. P. L. Rouser, today.

Misses Anna and Mary Werst left for Ft. Wayne to-day, to visit relatives.

Mr. Basch and wife and daughter, of New York, were in the city this morning.

Misses Strickler, Hollister and McGuire will attend a ball at Findlay this evening.

Miss Zoe Light returned to her home in Ottawa to-day, after visiting friends in this city.

Miss Alice Wilson, of Wapakoneta, spent the day with Mrs. G. E. Reel at the Normandie.

Miss Berta Shaw, of Chicago, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. DeVoe, of the South Side.

Mrs. Harriet L. Berger, of Columbus, is visiting Mrs Albert Stolzenbach, of north Union street.

Miss Maude Davis, of Sidney, who has been visiting friends here for several weeks, has returned home.

Miss Beryl Tousley, of Elkhart, Ind., who has been visiting relatives here, left for Toledo this morning.

Miss Sarah Gordon, of St. Marys, is spending the holidays with the family of Harry Merrill, of west Elm street.

Mrs J. W. Acker, returned yesterday to her home in Findlay, after a weeks' visit with Mrs. Lewis Thomas, of south West street.

Mrs. Rouser and Miss Kate Greenwalt, of Tippecanoe, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Rouser, returned home to-day.

Detective Blaize went to Wapakoneta this afternoon, called there to appear before the grand jury in regard to two cases on which he has been working.

Dr. E G. Burton left this morning for Cincinnati with his patient, Will Fisher, of 734 west Wayne street, where they will consult with an eminent physician in regard to Mr Fisher's ailment.

Attorney Jesse Huber, who wedded Miss Mary Boyd at Tachuanna, Texas, on Dec. 15th, returned last night, with his bride, from their wedding trip through the southern states, and are stopping for the present at the Burnet house.

Notice of Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Metropolitan Bank of Lima will be held in the banking rooms of said company in the Metropolitan bank, on Wednesday, January 13, 1897, at ten o'clock a. m, for the election of a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

12 17 tt W. H. DUFFIELD, Cashier.

A RECEPTION

Given by Mr and Mrs Will Hoover in Honor of S. W. Reed and Bride.

S. W. Reed, of Hoover Bros.' store, and his bride, nee Miss Florence Wilson, who were married at Springfield, at high noon yesterday, arrived here last evening and were given a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Hoover, on west Spring street. After the reception Mr. and Mrs. Reed were driven to the home previously prepared by Mr. Reed for his bride, on west Market street.

REMOVAL OF BODIES.

Board of Health Designates Certain Hours for Such Work.

The Board of Health met last night, with Messrs. Harley, Stolzenbach, Fisk, Durnbaugh and Health Officer Laudick present

A few small bills were recommended for payment, and a couple of complaints concerning nuisances were considered. Upon motion, the board designated the hours between 9 o'clock p m. and 4 o'clock a. m. for the removal of bodies from one cemetery to another.

The members of the board decided to attend the next meeting of the State board, providing the city council will agree to pay for their transportation.

TALES OF THE TOWN.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Christman, of east Kibby street—a son.

The members of the Bon Temps Dancing Club enjoyed a dance at the Armory last night.

There will be a special meeting of the W. R. C. at Memorial hall, Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The funeral services of George Brewbaker will be held from the U. B. church at Allentown at 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. J. P. Houser and Miss Amy Zimmerman, both of this county, were married by Justice Atmur at 1 o'clock this afternoon. They will leave for Decatur, Ind, this evening, on a wedding trip.

Herman Ende and wife went to New Bremen about a week ago to visit friends, and soon after their arrival there, Mr. Ende was taken seriously ill with enlargement of the liver, and is unable to be brought home.

The State in the Bice case this afternoon began the introduction of testimony on rebuttal. The arguments will be closed sometime this afternoon and the case will then be given to the jury. An effort is being made to have the case finished before the new year begins.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Reed, *nee* Miss Florence Wilson, who were married at high noon yesterday, at Springfield, O., returned to Lima last evening, and have gone to housekeeping in their new homestead on west Market street, which the groom had prepared for his bonny bride. They will be at home to their many friends after January 5, 1897.

AMONG THE RAILROADS.

Mr. Basch, wife and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Haskell and J. R. Megrue left on a special this noon on the Lima Northern for Napoleon, to inspect the road.

Monday morning the C., H. & D. shop painters, Foreman Frank Clark, Joe Park, Jim Heisel, J. C. Spence, F. A. Dill, F. Bergman and W. Van Horn, will leave for Indianapolis to spend the winter in the I., D. & W. shops at that place. At present there are no facilities here for doing this work and the men will be employed there until the shops here are rebuilt.

Train number two of the C, H. & D, was an hour and a half late this morning The delay was caused by the back half of the eccentric on engine 111 breaking. The broken side was disconnected and the engine brought the train into Lima. The accident occurred on the lime kiln curve between Sidney and Kirkwood.

NEW LEAFLETS

Will be Turned Over by the Boys for the New Year,

TO BE BLOTTED AS BEFORE.

Some of Their Many Former Habits From Which They Will Pledge Themselves to Abstain in the Year of Ninety-seven.

W. H. Standish—going to Harrod on Monday.

Charley Roney—Going to Newland's Landing without taking the key to the club house.

Willie Jones—racing.

Justice Atmur—tying nuptial knots without fees.

Ed McLain—living alone.

Bert Neff—giving masquerades.

E. H. Frey—leaving the kitchen door unlocked during orchestral practice.

W. E. Rudy—betting on Kentucky.

Pete Boose—trying to jump freight trains.

Mel Rydman—wearing a new hat to Bluffton.

P. W. Simon—going to Spencerville.

George Durnbaugh—giving afternoon concerts.

Ed Fritz—being a "mark" for bunco games.

Alf Chaney and Charley Durnbaugh—hiding in wardrobes.

Mont Wingate—leaving home without hanging out a sign.

Proprietor Silver, of the Wayne street second-hand store—giving the police tips on crooks.

Stage hands at the opera house—"workin'."

Frank DeVoe—staying out late.

Griff Piatt—telling customers about ferrets.

Jimmy Sanders—talking to Herbert Walker about "laying over."

Frank Carter—playing pedro.

Ed Cunningham and Squire Mowen—shaving.

F. E Harman—keeping valuable jewelry at home.

Harry Johnson—advertising for hunting dogs.

Will Johnson—going to stag picnics.

Will Bell—playing foot ball.

M. J. Callahan—looking for leaks in a gas line with a match.

H. J. Lawlor—Taking P. Canavan's word about quail being plenty along the Auglaize river.

P. Canavan—smoking any more imported Irish plug tobacco.

Charles Knecht—riding in hacks.

Charles Baum—coaching for the Marquette ball club.

Columbia Shoe Store—leaving the transoms unlocked.

W. A. Crimmel—chewing Mail Pouch.

Robert McPeak—parting his hair in the middle.

Charles Lamphire—expounding the money question.

Bob Finnell—going hunting without a guide.

John Seward—standing in front of a millinery store window.

Charley Hollister—making acquaintances from the sunny south.

Ed. Weadock—buying patent leather shoes until the Main street car line is extended one mile further north.

J. L. O'Connor (merchant tailor)—dabbling in politics.

Frank Duffield—using a curling iron.

Ed. Maxwell—dreaming of a friend in Indiana.

L. J. Hanley—staying out later than 9 p m without a permit.

Dave Cummings—Going to Knoxville and returning alone.

Frank Klatte—attending cakewalks until bricks are made more palatable.

G. W. Snyder—having cigarette photos enlarged.

Chas. Ackerman—his frequent visits to Wapakoneta.

Harry Hopkins—thinking about widows.

John Roby—agreeing on a verdict for the jury.

Tobe Akers—talking so much about Lima's paved streets.

E. E. Wiles—being tapped while riding his bicycle.

John A. Cobb—attending the South Side dances.

H. F. Vortkamp—displaying his photographs.

D H. Etling—from starting a canning factory.

Louie Foster—looking on the dark side of life.

Eddie List—on smoking cigarettes.

Geo. Moss—on receiving tips while on duty.

John Berkshire—sleeping while on duty.

J. Frank Miller—wearing out the sidewalk on south West street.

Del Armstrong—associating with "Reader" Wallace.

Kent Hughes—attempting to raise "burnsides."

Reade Wallace—spending so much time in Armstrong's company.

Louie Kepler—importing cats from the Sandwich Islands

Louie Brooker—associating with Steinley.

Frank Ashton—getting lost on Saturday nights.

Bertie Meyers—trying to curl the fuz on his upper lip.

Charlie Adgate—lecturing on spiritualism.

Jake Goldstein—trying to be a "Rockefeller."

John Bushey—going home in his nether garments.

Thora Mitchell—staying too long at clam bakes

Ben Roof—moving.

Mart Stolzenbach—wearing overshoes to Dunkirk.

Charley Ferguson—singing "I'm not the only apple in a bushel."

C. Gearhart—eating so much while out delivering.

Dick Hughes—buying so much fish when he goes to the reservoir.

W. J. Ritchie—being broke.

John E. Summers—going to Delphos.

Frank Hume—public singing at St. Marys.

Don Baxter—playing the races and wearing spit curls.

Harry Standish—speaking to "Folks."

Wid Freeman—wearing such short hair.

Fred Becker—going over to South Lima.

Gus Kalb—making gold speeches.

Homer Heeman—losing overcoats.

Merl Langan—using anti fat.

Herman Eckhardt—going to Dayton (will be married P. D. Q.)

Joe Happ—using tobacco sauce.

Gus Sonntag—trying to look like the Prince of Wales.

H. Stein—trying to get the best of Kepler.

Ol Baker—talking politics.

Henry Steinley—trying to beat Modock at craps.

Louis Fisher—singing "I want yer ma honey."

Charles Adkins—going to bed without wearing a baseball mask.

Carey Doan—going out west Market street.

Roy McGuire—buying cigarettes and cheap literature.

Chas. Sonntag—giving any more shows similar to Last Days of Pompeii.

Pete Laughlin—managing baseball clubs.

Arthur Rose—engaging in mortal combats.

Jim Littler—writing notes and visiting the Astor house.

Ira Lawrence—wearing $300 skates.

Will Duvel—paying $3 a week for liver.

Ed Linn—publishing a social magazine.

Frank Black—thinking so much about the ladies.

Gibson Dildine—attempting to satisfy his appetite.

Dan Graff—thinking so much of Wapak, and more of Findlay.

Orley Clutter—attempting to follow two pace-makers.

John Sutton—spending so much time with the ladies.

Will Ryan—taking snappers.

John Miller—loving so many girls.

E B. Hathaway—playing pool.

Dick Ramsayer—corresponding with ladies in foreign towns.

Amos Brown—being so sedate.

Bert Hall—cutting his hair so short.

"Cassy" Keiswell—frequent attendance at church.

W. M. Scott—staying away from Columbus Grove longer than a week at a time.

John Klatte—changing his Cuban policy.

Will Boone—calling for two short ones.

Will Stickler—beating the Burnet House out of sixty cents.

Will McGuire—contesting with Wallace.

Will Hollister—talking about Meadville.

Geo. Snyder—talking except when asked a question.

Harry McDonald—going to South Lima.

Louie Kemper—smoking, in order to save money to go to the Sandwich islands.

Jerry Orthwine—being disconsolate.

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BOOTY UNEARTHED

By Sergeant Watts and Patrolman Conway

'WAY UP IN "SMOKY ROW."

Thirteen Buggy Robes Buried Beneath Al Wade's Barn—The Supposed Thieves Now in Jail at Wapakoneta—Other Police News.

This morning the police unearthed a lot of property that is thought to have been stolen at intervals during the past several months. The goods are not very valuable but the police are satisfied that they have been stolen and the owners of the various articles that were found will, no doubt, be glad to identify and recover possession of their property.

The booty was unearthed by Sergeant Watts and patrolman Conway, who found it buried in the loose earth beneath the floor of a barn at the rear of Al Wade's home in "Smoky Row."

Two members of the Wade family, Al and Ben, have been suspected by the police for some time, but nothing of any consequence was ever found against them until recently. On the 11th of this month they were arrested at Wapakoneta and charged with stealing chickens. William Kemp, also of this city, better known as Barber, was arrested for the same offense, but excaped and came here about a week ago. The police here were notified and

BARBER WAS CAPTURED

last evening by Policemen Burns and Conway, and was taken back to Wapakoneta this afternoon by Marshal Mechling, of that place.

All three prisoners were bound over to the grand jury at Wapakoneta and were sent to the Auglaize county jail in default of bail.

After hearing that the two Wades were in jail at Wapakoneta for stealing chickens, the police determined to search their homes. Sergeant Watts and Patrolman Conway visited the home of Ben Wade's mother and the home of Al, who is married, and under the floor of one of the houses found a place where some goods had been hidden, but recently removed. Under the floor of Al. Wade's barn, however, they discovered a pile of loose dirt, and Conway, who is quite handy with a spade, began to dig. He unearthed three grain sacks which, when removed to the police station, were found to contain nine summer lap robes, four heavy robes, a number of horse blankets, some parts of harness, an oilcloth rain shield for a buggy, a strip of canvas belonging to a threshing machine and a dog collar, on which "Hector" was engraved.

The robes are supposed to have been stolen from buggies at intervals during the last several months, as the police have received frequent complaints.

DIDN'T FIND THE COAT.

Sergeant Watts returned last night from Guyer Station, where he was sent yesterday in search of a coat stolen recently from Lichtenstader's clothing store, and a warrant for the arrest of the supposed thief. The coat could not be found and the sergeant learned that the parties who were suspected bear an excellent reputation in the village

Moser & Williams,
Funeral Directors.

A BLOW

On the Head Causes Lemuel Clemmens to Go Insane.

Lemuel Clemmens was taken to the Toledo Insane Hospital this morning by Sheriff Fisher. The examination was made yesterday by Probate Judge Robb, who found him insane. The affliction came from an accident about six weeks ago. He was at work placing some sucker rods when one of them struck him on the head just back of the ear. In a short time afterwards his mind was affected.

TIM MURPHY

To be the New Years Attraction at the Opera House.

One of the cleverest and most popular comedians before the public to-day is droll Tim Murphy, an artist whose versatility is an unknown quantity, as in his present double bill attraction, which he presents at each performance, he assumes no less than ten entirely different characters. A performance simply marvelous, and criticized by the eminent critic, Geo. R. Goodale, of the Detroit *Free Press*, stamps Mr. Murphy the 19th century David Garrick.

This important "red letter" event will occur at the opera house, January 1st, and will comprise the three-act humorously pathetic comedy, "Old Innocence," and the sensational dramatic hit, "Sir Henry Hypnotized." "Old Innocence" is one of those sweet little comedies with just enough of pathos mingled with fun to make one forget that it is actually a play and not a home picture of every day life, and the character of Jason Green, innocent and trusting, superbly fits this sterling comedian's natural-born humor; in fact, it is more suited for him than his late and original creation in "A Texas Steer." The play is taken from the French, "Les Petit Oiseaux." "Sir Henry Hypnotized" is an original novelty, so entirely different from anything we have seen this season, and unlike the famous Italian artist, Fregoli, who was the reigning craze at Hammerstein's Olympia, New York city, last season, Mr. Murphy will only impersonate well-known characters, actors and celebrities, including Sir Henry Irving, John T Raymond, Joseph Jefferson, Stuart Robson, Lawrence Barrett, Sol Smith Russell, and by request the famous Wm. J. Bryan and our late president-elect, Major Wm. McKinley. It requires the services of five dressers to assist Mr. Murphy to make the above lightning changes.

Mr. Murphy's supporting company is exceptionally strong this season and includes the talented and bewitching Dorothy Sherrod, whom we must remember as "Bessy" in "A Texas Steer," a little lady conceded to be one of the most beautiful on the stage to-day.

For news read the TIMES-DEMOCRAT, which publishes all the news while it is fresh. The only real news paper in Lima Compare it with any other local paper published in Ohio and the verdict will be "The TIMES-DEMOCRAT leads them all." Everybody takes it. Ten cents a week delivered at your supper table six nights a week.

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